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Comment Of The Day

THE ROYAL BABY

THE messages of congratulations which have flowed into Buckingham Palace from many parts of the world may testify to the universal popularity of the young couple who occupy the British throne. But they also show that there is no more heart-warming event in the life of a family than the birth of a baby. In the case of the Queen, who is the ruling head of a huge multi-national family, the news is the cause of rejoicing throughout the Commonwealth.

The importance of the event and the interest it aroused are best exemplified by two things: crowds of people waited in freezing weather outside the Palace, many keeping their vigil throughout the night; yet how many would do this for their own relations or wives? Secondly the Queen was inundated with presents for the new baby. Yet everyone in Britain and the Commonwealth knows that there is hardly anything they can give her that she does not or cannot have. As signs of loyalty and devotion these must rank us the happiest memories that the Queen has of the occasion.

Age of decline

THIS is an age of decline for monarchies all over the world. In Britain not only is there no sign of decline, but the warmth and affection in which the Queen, the Duke of Edinburgh, and other members of the royal family are held, suggest that royalty has never been more popular in modern times.

Perhaps the best indication of their popularity is the extent to which newspapers and individuals like to claim a share in making their decisions. Thus a clergyman feels the young prince should marry a coloured princess from a Commonwealth country and the London press has speculated cheerfully both on names and Godparents for the third baby. These will be described as deportable and unwarranted intrusions into the Queen's private life. They are—but they indicate how deeply interested the British public are in their welfare and how concerned they are for their future.

Hongkong's joy

THE news of the third baby's birth was read with as much interest in Hongkong as in any other part of the Commonwealth. The Duke's visit to the Colony last year did much to strengthen our links with the mother country and to illustrate more vividly the reality of the Crown and the persons who give it meaning and expression. And it must be hoped that the Duke's own feelings on the value of these visits so ably expressed at the Guildhall last week, indicate that it will not be long before Hongkong has the pleasure of meeting other members of the royal family.

Big Kowloon scheme criticised

Why demolish building which survived bombs?

Counsel opposing a giant building scheme in Nathan Road, Kowloon, today asked why it was necessary to destroy a building which had withstood bombardment by the Japanese and which could last for 30 years or more.

It was the architect of the plans for the new 17-storey building who said in the Tenancy Tribunal this morning that the existing Wing Lok building was very solid and well-maintained, could last for 30 years or more.

He came under constant fire for more than two hours from Counsel opposing the exemption application brought by the Ming Man Land Investment Company.

The new \$14 million replacement scheme comprising 85 shops and 749 flats was challenged on the grounds that it was not in the public interest to demolish such a solid building.

Mr Hu Hung-li, instructed by Messrs Stewart and Co, enumerated the multi-story structures in the locality already tenanted or in course of construction and asked Mr Cheng whether he considered there would still be demand for domestic accommodation when all were completed.

Still a demand

Mr Cheng said that he could foresee a need in that vicinity where 80 per cent of the accommodation was fully occupied.

Asked by Mr Benjamin Liu about the smaller flats with one bedroom said to be suitable for four to five people, Mr Cheng said they would be suitable for couples with small children.

Mr Liu suggested that the flats planned were not suitable for such a location in Tsimshatsui.

Mr J. E. Dargan was President of the Tenancy Tribunal which also comprises Mr Arthur Yeung Yick Fung and Major A. N. Braude.

Other counsels representing opponents are Mr Richard Winter, instructed by Peter Mo and Hastings and Co; Mr Gerald de Busto, instructed by Peter G. G. Woo and Mr K. Lam and Co; Mr A. Zimmerman instructed by Bruton and Co, and Mr W. H. Young, representing the applicants are Mr Leo D'Alimando QC, and Mr Leslie Wright.

The case is continuing.

FAILED IN THREE SUICIDE BIDS

Stockholm, Feb. 22. A 40-year-old Swedish worker tried to commit suicide three times in less than 24 hours on Sunday but failed each time.

The man, a former patient in a psychiatric clinic first threw himself in front of a train but he was pulled back by two others seconds before the train could run over him.

The man spent the night at a police station. When released he went straight to the railway station, boarded a train and some minutes later threw himself through a window at 10 mph. He was not even injured.

Later the man threw himself in front of a car but the driver braked sharply and his life was again saved.

This time however he was hurt and taken to hospital. Later he was transferred to the nearest psychiatric clinic.—AFP.

Carried drugs in artificial arm

New York, Feb. 23. A one-armed man, arrested as a dope peddler with \$5,000 worth of pure heroin in his apartment, had an almost fool-proof delivery system.

Angelo Alejandro, 26-year-old Puerto Rican, told police he carried narcotics to merchant seamen neatly hidden in a hollowed-out portion of his artificial limb.—AP.

Budget extra

A late final extra edition of the China Mail will be published at about 4:30 p.m. tomorrow giving a summary of the budget proposals for 1960. The Governor, Sir Robert Black, and the Financial Secretary, Mr A. Clarke will present the Colony's budget at tomorrow's meeting of the Legislative Council.

London, Feb. 22. Mr Hugh Gaitskell, leader of the Labour Party, made a renewed call tonight for a revision of the Labour Party's constitution. A dispute is raging within the Labour Party over his proposal to amend that part of its constitution—the famous Clause Four—which commits the Party to a policy of public ownership, or nationalisation.

This clause calls for common ownership of production, distribution and exchange. Some critics have said the nationalisation issue played a part in Labour's defeat at the last general election.

Conservatism

Speaking at a dinner here tonight, Mr Gaitskell said: "I hope I am not being unjust if I say that those who oppose the new declaration of aims seem to do so either out of intellectual conservatism, which is surprising to find in the Labour Party, or from an alleged fear of disunity which they do not all seem to have worried about much before."

"The fact is that they cannot have it both ways. They cannot be held at one and the same time that the dispute is utterly unimportant. And yet that it also raises fundamental moral issues."

"If in their opinion there is such an issue, then the sooner we argue it out and settle it the better."

Necessary

"But if they consider it does not matter much whether or not we make a new declaration, then I hope they will accept my judgment that this is really necessary and necessary now for the good of the party and our future hopes for victory."

Mr Gaitskell also said:

"For my part, I hold that the central idea of British socialism is the brotherhood of man."

"It is this, rather than public ownership, which surely inspires all our aims in foreign, colonial, social and economic policies alike."

He added: "Public ownership is the be-all and end-all of democratic socialism, but a necessary means to more fundamental aims, the extent and form of which is a matter to be settled from time to time according to circumstances."

Reuter.

Ammunition found during hill fire

In a grass fire on the hillside near Aberdeen Reservoir on the Monday before last, the Fire Brigade found 24 rounds of .303 rifle ammunition and thirteen .303 cartridge cases. Before Central Magistrate Mr Derek Cons this morning, the police applied for the confiscation of the ammunition. This was granted.

The application was made by Sub-Inspector Yip Tai-yau.

Children die in quake

Melouza, Feb. 22. Fifteen children learning the Koran were crushed to death when the stone mosque of a village here collapsed on top of them in yesterday's earthquake.

So far 47 people are known to have been killed, 84 injured and 600 made homeless in the third disaster to strike the area, about 90 miles south of Algiers, in the past 12 years.—Reuter.

Operated on

Washington, Feb. 22. General Nathan F. Twining, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, was operated on for acute appendicitis late today, the defense department announced. His condition was considered satisfactory.—UPI.

Last photo of Countess



The last picture taken of Lady Mountbatten before her death in Jesselton, North Borneo, last Sunday. The picture was taken during a visit to the children's ward at the British military hospital in Singapore last week.—AP photo.

Japan hopes for an heir

Tokyo, Feb. 23. Japan waited expectantly and anxiously today for the announcement that Princess Michiko had given birth.

The latest word from the Imperial Palace was that it could come within the next twelve hours.

Radio and television networks were poised to break into scheduled programmes to flash the news to the nation.

It was hoped that the new royal child would be a son and therefore an heir to the ancient throne of Japan. But there would be little disappointment if it were a girl.

The 25-year-old Princess, a commoner who broke 26 centuries of Royal Family tradition when she married Crown Prince Akihito last April, was admitted into the Imperial Household hospital early this morning after experiencing labour pains.

Birth had not been expected until March 2 or later.



PRINCESS MICHIKO

As of mid-day today, the Princess had not been taken to the delivery room.

Crown Prince Akihito was not at the hospital. He waited at his own Palace, about a 20-minute drive away.

At Michiko's bedside was her mother, Mrs Hideshige Shoda, wife of a wealthy flour manufacturer.—UPI.

15 miners killed

Berlin, Feb. 22. Fifteen miners were killed and 45 others trapped in a mine explosion in Zwickau today, the East German news agency ADN reported this evening.

The explosion occurred in the Karl Marx mine in Zwickau, which is in Soviet-occupied East Germany.

The news agency said the cause of the explosion is not yet known. It said the early morning shift of miners entered the shaft and were "suddenly surprised by fire."

According to the ADN dispatch, 100 miners were trapped in the shaft.

By the evening, ADN said, 40 miners had been rescued alive, the bodies of the 15 victims had been recovered, but the remaining 45 miners were still underground.—UPI.

"All during the night while I froze almost stiff, I kept imagining how warm I could have got myself if I had had the whisky," he added.

But Sandy is still one of the keenest boat men in Hongkong and undeterred by his experience he will continue his sailing even at night.

"But next time I'm going to tie the bottle to the boat."

Boy faces bitter disappointment

Tokyo, Feb. 22. A Chinese-American youth, who left China last Autumn in hopes of finding his father whom he last saw a decade ago, was sailing toward San Francisco last night little aware of the bitter disappointment that may be in store for him.

The youth, Alfred Herbert Jr., 21, left Yokohama on Sunday, en route to San Francisco.

Herbert, in an interview on his brief stay in Japan en route from Hongkong, said, "I could never forget my father. The Communists could not stop me from wanting to see him. I am going home at last."

TALKED OF FATHER

The Eurasian youth, who spoke haltingly in broken English, could talk only of his father, Alfred Herbert, of Walpole, Massachusetts—and of his hopes of a reunion with him.

He did not know that his father has stated he has no desire to see him and has vowed he would not meet his son under any circumstances.—UPI.



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U.S. INFLUENCE ON LONDON

U.S. markets closed

Yesterday was a public holiday in America in celebration of Washington's birthday. Financial and commodity markets were closed.

Germany's bid to stop inflation

London, Feb. 22. The Financial Times today said Germany should further liberalise her trade and relax restrictions on imports of agricultural goods to fight inflation.

In an editorial discussing Germany's financial problems the newspaper said it is not a question of whether the authorities should be fighting inflation, but whether they were using the right weapons.

Last year Germany's reserves fell, although she earned a massive surplus on current account, because capital exports were on a large scale. But, the editorial said, if the present policy is continued such an outcome can hardly be expected in 1960.—UPI.

Exchange rates

Business was done in the local financial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollars (per £1) 8.71
Sterling notes (per £1) 15.25
Australian notes (per £1) .. 1.70
Indonesian rupiah (per 100) .. 20.10
Singapore (Straits) 1.81

Exchanges too optimistic at the new year

London, Feb. 22. The London Stock Exchange has come heavily under the influence of the Governor of the Bank of England's warnings, Wall Street's break, rapid Budget expectations in the light of inflationary rail and other wage demands and of the Government's costly aid to some sections of industry, and prospects of new capital issues.

It is a formidable catalogue, but it might be more superficial than it looks. All stock exchanges were too optimistic at the New Year and may since have had little more than correction of currency and a technical adjustment of yields.

The American business prospect is not as strong as it was, but as that was too strong, it may now be strong enough.

Optimistic

One leading New York bank, Morgan Guaranty, is remarkably optimistic about the business prospect, but gloomy about inflationary pressures.

The OEEC reports that Britain is doing fine, that as she needs a revival of private investment, she has no need of restrictive measures for some months, and that when they do come they will not do much good because experience shows that deflationary measures on their own do not prevent wages from rising too much.

This year, the OEEC has dropped the preface which implied that the officials of the country concerned accept the findings. But the Bank of England Governor did accept the findings.

Thanks to the rail settlement, sterling shrugged off the higher American bill rate which still leaves London more attractive for international money. The Bank of England gained dollars on February 15.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

by Our Own Correspondent

Business done at the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$380,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
H.K. Banks	1200	1300	50 0 1300
INSURANCE	971	109	50 0 9715
Union	43	43	50 0 43
SHIPPING	28	60	1000 0 60
Waterboat	67	60	200 0 60
Wheelboat	20	60	200 0 60
DOCKS, ETC.	100	100	50 0 100
Ice Wharf	63	84	100 0 64
Provost	19	19	20
Taiaco Dock	42	43	500 0 43
LAND, ETC.	3314	3314	500 0 3314
H.K. Hotel	3314	3314	500 0 3314
H.K. Land	48	48	100 0 48
Star Ferry	100	100	50 0 100
Peak Tram	100	100	50 0 100
(N)	144	142	100 0 144
C. Light	19.50	20	1500 0 20
Electric (N)	20.10	20.30	500 0 20.20
Macao E.	24	25	1400 0 24.00
Telephone	34	35	100 0 34
Watson, KED	24	24.30	250 0 24.30
Watson, KED	24	24.30	1700 0 24.20
COTTONS	31	31	500 0 31
INDUSTRIALS	44	45	100 0 44
Cement	44	45	1000 0 44
STORES, ETC.	24	24.30	250 0 24.30
Dairy	0.70	0.65	1000 0 0.70
Nanyang	15.40	16.00	500 0 15.50
MISCELLANEOUS	17.20	17.20	500 0 17.20
VIBCO	6.30	6.14	500 0 6.14
INVESTMENTS	14	14	500 0 14
H.K. & F.E.	14	14	500 0 14

London Market helped by brighter news

London, Feb. 22. Good company news and bright dividend prospects gave the stock market a firm but quiet tone today.

Buyers were for the most part cautious, apparently waiting to see tomorrow's Wall Street trend, but aggressive South African buying caused a sharp recovery in gold shares.

Electricals, engineering equities and steels shared in a general upward industrial movement along with breweries, stores and some textiles.

Leaders such as Imperial Chemical, Electrical and Musical Industries, British Oxygen and British Unilever all improved but bank and insurance shares were dull.

Gilt-edged securities were out of favour and took losses of between 1 and 2 per cent.

Foreign bonds were mainly idle and dollar stocks mixed, with steel and most oils up but motors easier.

In metals, falling prices and high stocks pushed coppers back but platinums firmed. Oils ended mostly better and rubbers and tees were steady.—UPI.

Closing prices

	Gilt-edged Bonds		
British Transport	97	107.50	£20-310
Concord	21%	24.60	£7.50-11.16
Conversion Loan	33%	19.00	£6.00-7.00
Edith Building	37%	19.50/20.00	£10.00-11.00
Funding Stock	31.5%	20.00	£10.00-11.00
Government	4%	10.00	£1.00-1.00
Guernsey	4%	10.00	£1.00-1.00
India-China Steam Nav. Co.	20%	10.00	£1.00-1.00
Indo-China Steam Nav. Co. def	20%	10.00	£1.00-1.00
Stores	Great Universal Stores "A"-50s		
Marks & Spencer Ltd-71s			
Woolworth Co. Ltd-60s			
De La Rue Co. Ltd-60s			
Dunlop Rubber Co.-20s			
Dunlop Tyre & Rubber Co.-10s			
Imperial Chemicals-11s			
Lyons & Co.-10s			
Unilever Ltd-50s			
Others			
Great Universal Stores "A"-50s			
Marks & Spencer Ltd-71s			
Woolworth Co. Ltd-60s			
De La Rue Co. Ltd-60s			
Cotts J & P Ltd-30s			
Courtards Ltd-20s			
Conc. Godfreys & Sons Africa-20s			
Zinc Corp. Ord-71s			
Do Beers def-104d			
Hongkong Tin-104d			
Hanco-10s			
Southern Kina Cone Ltd-20s			
Union Corp-10s			
New Zealand Goldmining-10s			
Others			
British Petroleum Syndicate-60s			
British Petroleum Co. Ltd-60s			
Burmah-47s			
Shell Transport & Trading-140s			
Hawker Siddeley Group Ord-32s			

Reuter.

TRANSPORTATION

Britain's shipyards putting out more new liners

LOYD'S Register figures of world shipbuilding in 1959, issued towards the end of January, 1960, showed that United Kingdom shipyards regained second place in world launches in terms of tonnage launched, with 1,370,000 gross tons.

However, the factor of most importance to the United Kingdom yards is its leading position as the builder of more complex ships, especially large passenger liners.

Out of the twelve liners of more than 10,000 gross tons under construction in the world, eight are being built in Britain; and in contrast to the remaining four, none of the eight is planned in any way by Government subsidies, being wholly financed by private capital.

In November 1959, the largest liner to be launched from a British shipyard since the Queen Elizabeth in 1939, was named at Barrow-in-Furness. It was the 40,000 gross tons Oriana, built for the Orient Line, in which the Peninsular and Oriental Line shareholders to be used mainly in the United Kingdom-Australia run, but also on services across the Pacific. With a service speed of 21½ knots, the Oriana will reduce the sailing time from London to Sydney from four to three weeks. It has several outstanding features, notably the system of transverse propulsion enabling it to manoeuvre freely in confined waters, and the largest welded superstructure ever built into a ship.

THE CANBERRA

On March 16, however, Dame Phyllis Menzies, wife of the prime Minister of Australia, is to name an even larger liner, the 45,000 gross tons Canberra, to be launched at Harland and Wolff's famous yards at Belfast, the capital of Northern Ireland.

Costing more than £15,000,000, she is scheduled to make her maiden voyage early in May on the P. & O. Line's Australia run, sister ship to the Oriana. Among her unusual features are the turbo-electric propulsion machinery which is placed aft leaving the mid-section free for passenger accom-

modation, and the all-aluminium superstructure.

Looking towards the future is the question of replacements for the two largest liners in the world, the Queen Mary and the Queen Elizabeth. The Cunard Line has put forward to the United Kingdom Government proposals for building two ships eventually to replace the Queens.

The chairman of the company hopes that it will be possible to lay the keel of the first by the end of 1960, and the ship is chosen to be John Brown's at Clydebank, where the present Queens.

Another Caravelle jet for SAS

SCANDINAVIAN Airlines

S System announced today the purchase of an additional Caravelle jet airplane for delivery in September, 1960.

The additional jet will bring the number of Caravelles delivered or on order by SAS to 17. SAS will lease four Caravelles to Swissair under a co-operation agreement with that company, while Swissair, under the same agreement, will lease some DC-8s to SAS.

The SAS Caravelle network will be linked with the airline's North Atlantic and Polar System DC-8 services in one of the world's largest pure-jet systems.

In the SAS summer programme, effective April 1st, the expansion of the Caravelle pure-jet network will grow to include 35 cities in 22 countries in Europe and the Middle East.

The SAS Caravelles have accumulated 8,000 hours in the air, and has carried close to 80,000 passengers during the first eight months of operation.

MONDAY

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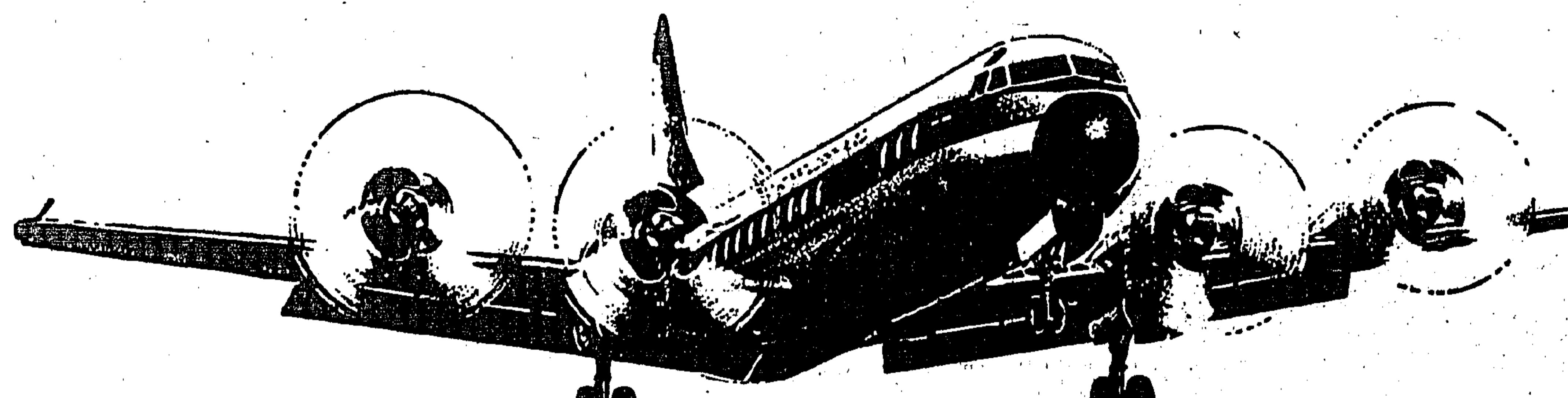
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DC-6B departs 9 a.m.
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Commons told of all-British space programme BRITAIN TO ORBIT SATELLITE

Could be done by middle of this year

London Feb. 22. Britain could put a satellite into orbit in the middle of this year, a Government spokesman told the House of Commons tonight.

He also said work was well in hand for design studies for adapting British military rockets for a possible future all-British satellite programme.

Mr Geoffrey Rippon, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Aviation, said the information to date was favourable to the project.

But Britain could not undertake her own independent space programme until she had first completed development of her own ballistic rocket.

It was certain that the combination of the Blue Streak and Black Knight rockets, with a small additional rocket stage which presented no great technical difficulty, could if wished provide the thrust necessary to put a space stabilized satellite into orbit by the mid-1960's.

He said it could provide the thrust to put a satellite of between 1,000 and 2,000 lbs. in a near circular orbit of about 200 to 300 miles altitude.

Observation

That would provide a platform for astronomical observation unimpeded by the earth's atmosphere, he added.

Mr Rippon, replying to a debate on Britain's space programme, said the government was investigating the feasibility of two other classes of satellite.

The first was an unstabilized instrumentation package of a few hundred lbs weight in an orbit of a maximum height of 8,000 to 12,000 miles.

Its primary purpose would be to investigate the constitution of the earth's atmosphere and its radiation and magnetic fields.

The second was a smaller unstabilized instrumentation package of about 50 lbs in

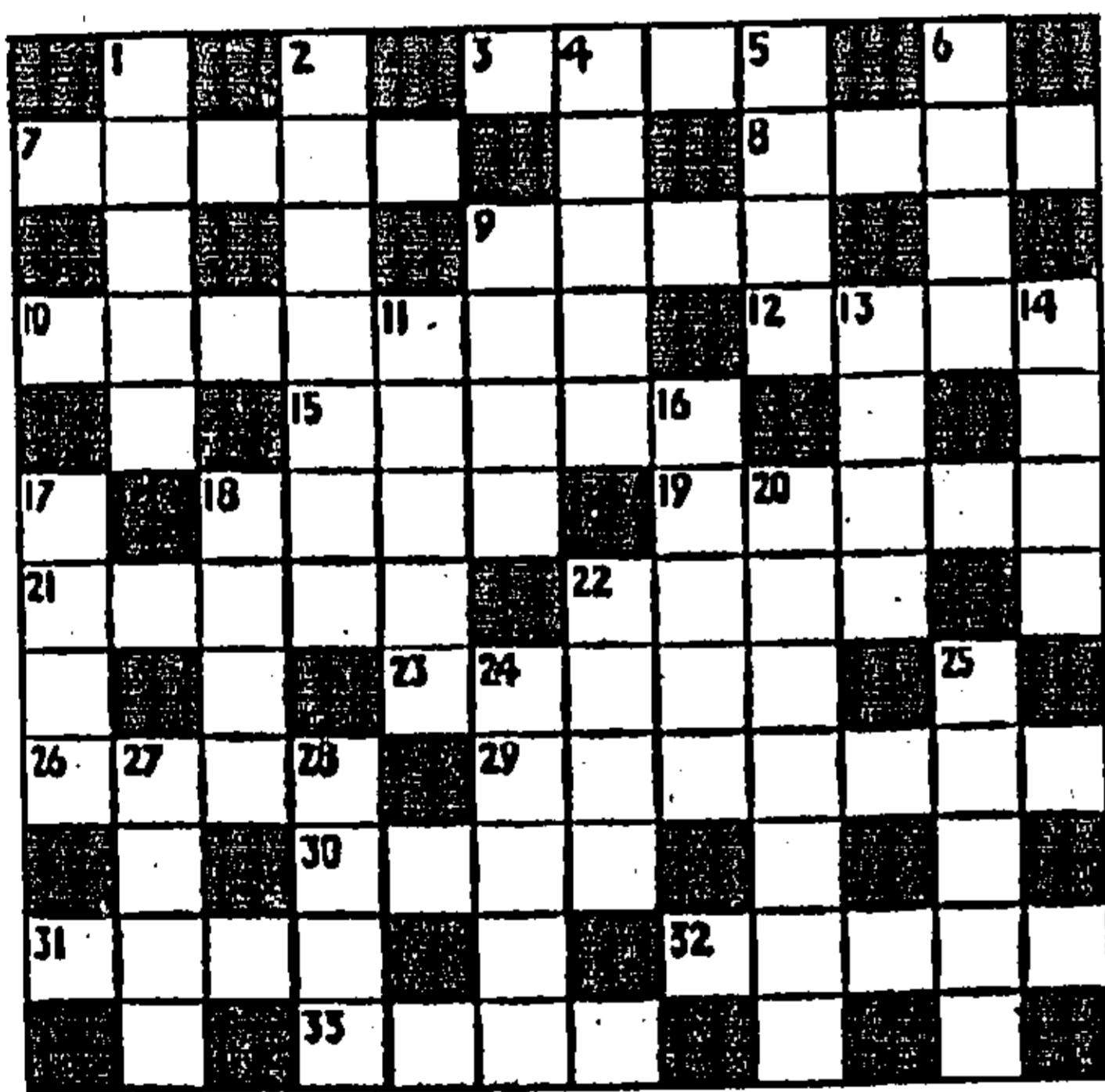
The ionosphere

Mr Rippon said the first five firings of the Black Knight research rocket in Australia were all successful. This, he understood, was a unique result in this sphere.

The experimental instruments in the first of the satellites to be launched by the American Scout rocket and booster would be concerned with the electrical properties of the ionosphere, X-ray and ultra-violet radiation from the sun and the intensity of primary cosmic rays.

The launching date of the first satellite was expected to be towards the end of 1961.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- Remain in support (4).
- Should motorists notice his thumb? (6).
- Nameless (4).
- Stuff with lies? (4).
- The doctor ought to reveal it's the result of no rain (7).
- Break from a wire (5).
- Real bargain (4).
- Slave dance? Could be (5).
- Jock the Nipper! (6).
- Incline to enter the lists (4).
- To the South a walk is insignificant (5).
- Break for game (4).
- Free from blame (7).
- Is twice in the river (4).
- William has to be paid (4).
- Signifies pecuniary resources (5).
- The German lyric was untruthful (4).

DOWN

- Do bishops wear it at an angle of 45 degrees? (5).
- Sometimes happy comebacks (7).
- Stolen by a knave (5).
- Meet pretenders (4).
- She takes a turn at the oral (4).
- Edible wood (4).
- Manners of moving (5).
- When it starts to do it, hide! (4).
- They have often put a prospector's nose out of joint (4).
- The wicked ways of broken lives (5).
- Newts (4).
- It weakens one's spirit (4).
- Admitted everyone was in debt (7).
- Labels for bats (4).
- Principal note in the U.S. (6).
- It happens once in seventeen years (5).
- The hidden snag in what you saw, perhaps (4).
- Not up to the mark I take it! (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Aeroplane, 7. Eban, 9. Aroma, 10. Minor, 11. Orbs, 13. Blackboard, 15. Iolo, 16. After, 18. Reinstated, 22. Heel, 24. Inert, 25. A-Go-Go, 26. Eish, 17. Hone-Ely, 18. Down: 2. Aroma, 3. Drank, 4. Gammon, 5. Senorita, 6. Barb, 8. Lordy, 12. Stood, 13. Brush, 14. Caroles, 17. Arenas, 18. Snatch, 20. Twang, 21. Tidal, 23. Elio (rev.).



Picture shows Miss Lysette Van-Tam, 31, daughter of the former President of Vietnam, who appeared in a London court recently on a charge brought by the Customs authorities that she knowingly took clothing into Britain without paying duty. At first Sir Eric, Admiral Sir Charles Lamb, who said he and his wife were unofficially acting as Lysette's guardian, vouched for her honesty. The court found her not guilty.—Express Photo.

Sir Thomas cancels concerts

Seattle, Feb. 22. Sir Thomas Beecham, the sharp-tongued, 81-year-old conductor, will not fulfill two concerts with the Seattle Symphony Orchestra because of a heart condition, it was announced yesterday.

Dr Robert H. Barnes, who was attending Sir Thomas, said the condition was not a heart attack in its usual sense but a condition brought on by strenuous travel.

Sir Thomas cancelled the concerts scheduled for tonight and tomorrow night and will remain confined to his suite in the Olympic Hotel here.

Dr Barnes said Sir Thomas "had responded to treatment" but "should attempt no further activity until further improvement is evidenced."

Dr Barnes emphasised that the condition was caused by the conductor's demanding schedule of the past few weeks. He said the illness had resulted "in extreme shortness of breath."

Sir Thomas, who is noted for his caustic remarks and explosive temper, arrived here last Tuesday with Lady Beecham, his bride of seven months who is 53 years his junior.

Sir Thomas put the Seattle Symphony through three rehearsals and a concert last week.

The two concerts this weekend are to go on as scheduled with Henryk Szeryng, the orchestra's assistant conductor and concert master, directing.—UPI.

400 arrested in Spain

Madrid, Feb. 22. More than 400 people have been arrested following police operations against Communist organisations in Spain, but only about 170 have been detained, it was reported today.

Spanish police were believed to have tracked down these organisations as a result of investigations of Spanish Communists sympathisers who recently visited Prague.—UPI.

Missing

Buenos Aires, Feb. 22. The Argentine navy tonight admitted that the unidentified submarine which it said had been lurking in Golfo Nuevo waters may not be there any longer.—UPI.

PURLEY BUMP

Purley, Feb. 22. Seven people were taken to hospital after a train bumped another stationary train to which it was being jolted. The seven injured were passengers thrown by the impact.—China Mail Special.

British bases

Nicosia, Feb. 22. Mr Julian Amery, British Colonial Undersecretary, will bring "the last limit of British concessions" on the issue of British bases in a Cyprus republic with him when he returns to the island tomorrow, it was reported here tonight.

But the reports, in a bulletin issued by the Greek Consulate and quoting "Athens diplomatic quarters," said the new British proposals must not be considered as an ultimatum.—Reuter.

Charged with trespassing

Richmond Va., Feb. 22. About 40 Negro students staging a sitdown demonstration in support of the demands for equal facilities at lunch counters were arrested in a department store today and charged with trespassing.

Police said they arrested the students when they refused to leave the store. They were later released on bail.—Reuter.

'JACK THE STRIPPER' STILL ON THE PROWL IN U.S.

San Diego, Feb. 22. A masked gunman who robs the same bars of money and the same waitresses of clothing, was being sought by sheriff's deputies and police today.

The victim of the "Stripper Bandit," who has staged five this month, was the Crest Inn. The tall, husky gunman entered the bar yesterday for the second time in six weeks. Again he demanded money from the till and forced 30-year-old Jacqueline Joan Cantu to strip.

The bar maid described the armed man as polite. She said he wore a rubber halloween mask.

"Oh, no, not again," Miss Cantu remarked.

"Yes, mam, just like before," the bandit replied.

Police said the bandit, dubbed "Jack the Stripper," orders customers to throw their wallets on the table, ushers men patrons into the wash room and orders the women to disrobe. Police

recovered day shift.

Police said the bandit did not attempt to assault the women.—UPI.

Bill to improve maternity services

London, Feb. 22. Mr Emrys Hughes, a British opposition Labour M.P. with Republican sympathies, tonight urged the Government to mark the birth of the new Prince by improving maternity services and slum clearance programmes.

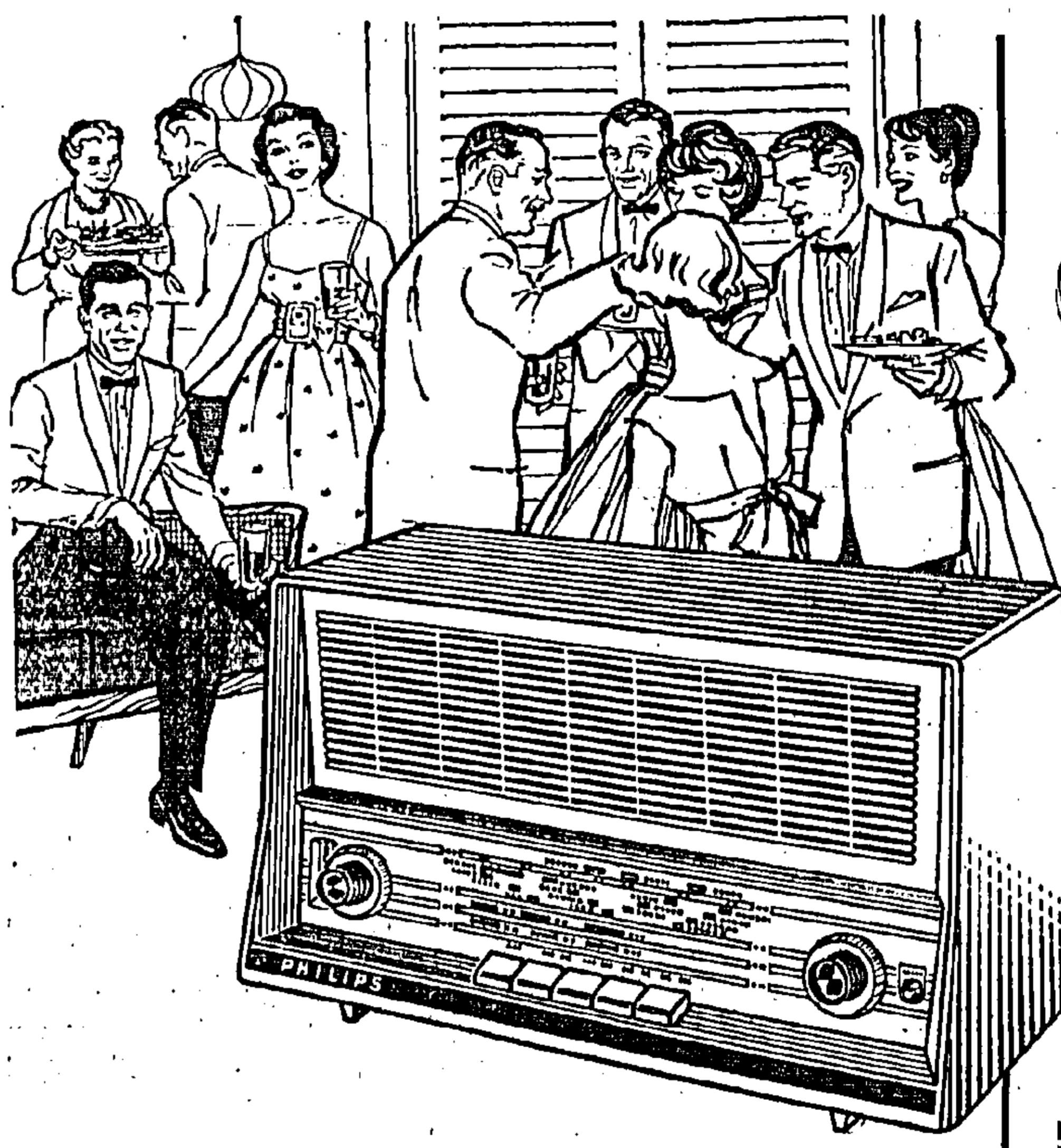
With Mrs Harriet Slater, another Labour member, as seconder, Mr Hughes has tabled a motion called "Celebration of the birth of a son to Her Majesty the Queen."

It reads: "That this House would welcome an announcement by the Prime Minister that her Majesty's Government proposes to mark the occasion of the birth of a son to Her Majesty the Queen by announcing plans for an immediate increase in expenditure on the health and maternity services, which will enable all children to be born under reasonably human and civilised conditions."

It also urges plans for the speeding up of the housing programme, so that British women will not bear and rear their children in over-crowded rooms in the slums.

The tabling of a motion by an M.P. does not necessarily ensure a debate. This depends on how the party leaders view the motion and whether there is Parliamentary time available.—UPI.

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ROCK-RIBBED old Right-wing Republican is Mr. Mark Granite, according to the circumstances he implied.

He appealed for funds for his "non-profit foundation to fight New Deal Socialism."

Big deal for Mr. Granite—250,000 dollars (£10,000) flowed



will now have to struggle along on the bare £8,000 dollars (£30,000) a year.

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RISING costs forced 305 newspapers in the U.S. and Canada to increase their selling price last year.

Most American dailies sell for five cents (fourpence). Evening papers cost ten cents (eightpence), and the massive Sunday editions of papers like the New York Times cost 25 cents (1s. 6d.).

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A HOLLYWOOD film star married for the fifth time and introduced his new bride to his mother. Said mother graciously:

Peter Chambers

into the coffers of the Granite Foundation. But a lot of the money, it seems, was spent on looking after Mr. Granite instead of fighting Socialism. And in his anti-Socialist way, he omitted to file any income tax returns for two or three years.

At 77, Arthur E. Small (Mr. Granite's real name) has been arrested at Concord, New Hampshire, on income tax offences and mail fraud.

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JACK BENNY's daughter, 25-year-old Joan Rudolph, obtained a divorce from her second husband, Alan Rudolph, after telling a Santa Monica court that he didn't support either her or himself but lived off his parents.

She will now have to support her with 400 dollars (£240) a month alimony.

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METING with Saint Peter at the nearly-gated gates to heaven, the visitors to "The Bible Storyland" a £5,000,000 amusement park soon to be built near Los Angeles, California.

THIS MUST BE SEEN!

The 220-acre park will be something on the lines of California's famous Disneyland, but with heaven, hell, the Hanging Gardens of Babylon, and other Biblical scenes in place of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.

Jonah's whale, Noah's ark, Roman chariot races, the Garden of Eden, and a boat-ride on the Nile are among attractions planned by general manager Nutt Wincott.

A dark, tingling encounter with "monsters" awaits visitors to Dante's Inferno, "with devils cooling off in showers of steam and sulphurous fire fountains."

Travelling in the other direction, you will be drawn by three cherubs in a gold litter, "passing through clouds and stardust to Saint Peter at the pearly gates, and escorted on the home stretch by an angel."

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SIT-DOWN GUNMAN stopped at a petrol station near Salt Lake City, poked a rifle out of the window, and demanded the day's takings.

The garage attendant handed over the money. The gunman drove off.

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DONG fine on her driving license at Seattle the other day, Mrs. Marie Carter spoiled it all when the examiner told her to reverse-park outside his office. She drove straight through the office wall.

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HOLLYWOOD actor Anthony Quinn has filed actions for damages of £395,000, including £100,000 action against actor Vul Bryner.

Quinn told a Santa Monica, California, court he and Bryner had agreed to buy the property. "The Magnificent Seven" to make a film but that

PRETTY, red-haired actress Sheila Reynolds was remanded for trial in a Manhattan court recently after assaulting a restaurant manager with a sirloin steak.

Mrs. Reynolds ordered a six-dollar (£2.5s.) steak for herself, another for her poodle Brandy.

Brandy ("Why, he's almost human") sat up at the table to eat him. The manager objected. The red-head had red.

She picked up her steak and hit him in the face with it. Then the police arrived.

A JURY travelled 28 miles to the other night to feed Oscar Olson's dog.

Oscar was a juror in a Chicago murder trial, and the law requires that a jury cannot split up and go home as long as the trial is in progress.

"But I have got to feed my dog," pleaded Oscar. Said the judge: "You have to stay here, I will send a court officer to feed your dog."

"No, no," replied Oscar. "He is so vicious, I am the only one who can handle him."

The judge gave in. The dog got fed. The whole trial had to get in the bus with Oscar, and stay with him while he fed it and walked it round the block.

• BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

THE time has come to arm cricketing teams with bottles for purposes of defence against the spectators, now that cricket is becoming as rowdy as football. The M.C.C. is said to be considering means by which batsmen could retaliate against bowlers who aim at the man instead of the wicket. Batsmen in ghoulish masks and weird headresses may soon be facing bowlers who yell and make hideous grimaces as they run to the wicket. Tear-gas for the use of umpires whose decisions are ignored might not be in the best interests of the game. (ENTER the elves Crogblossom and Quartottle.)

Contrabands

THE first eight miles of Roy Footle's journey were covered without incident. But as he went through Scowham, a ploughman, who thought that Roy was the victim of an accident and was being dragged along by the traction engine, cut the rope with his jack-knife. Roy was precipitated into a ditch, and the engine, unaware of the contortions, proceeded on its way. "What you got o. your feet?" asked the rescuer. Roy explained, and the postmistress sent a message to the next village. The engine returned, a new rope was procured from a farmer, and the bizarre journey was resumed. "I never did in all my life" said the postmistress.

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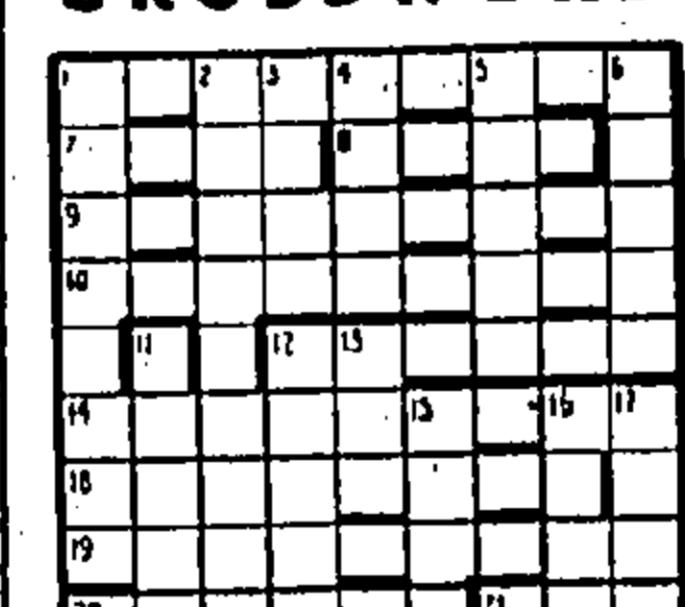
WATCH THIS SPACE

Ripe old age

She was celebrating her 100th birthday. (New Item.)

She probably bore the family name of Charlemagne said to her grandmother. "Granny," they say, "you are living in the past." (London Express Service.)

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Across

1. Brood (nesting) (6, 6)
4. Always (4)
5. Yellow bird (9)
10. Head camp (10)
12. Mountain valley (10)
13. North Americans (10)
14. (10)
20. Forces (6)
21. Poem or song (9)

Down

1. Cupids (4)
2. Preach (9)
3. Tibetan animals (4)
4. Is defeated (6)
5. Continental (10)
12. A great (6)
13. Girl's name (3)
16. Walking (10)
18. Necessity (10)
19. Team (6)

— (London Express Service).

PEOPLE in the news

'Suzie's' ex-director tells his trouble

By Steve Dunleavy

"You see my trouble is that I have too much ability."

It was with that abandon of modesty that Jean Negulesco was last week replaced as director of "The World of Suzie Wong," started a dynamic portrait of his life.

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"Everything from male and female leads to supporting roles. "I think it's because I feel for the parts that I can bring out the most in a movie artist."

However, apparently helmed by Stark, thought that Negulesco's "feeling" for the part was getting a little out of hand.

Both Stark and author Mason agreed that James Farentek had done a "wonderful" job of adapting the book to the screen.

Negulesco said to me that night: "Lots of people can't realize that when the final computing comes to a point not even

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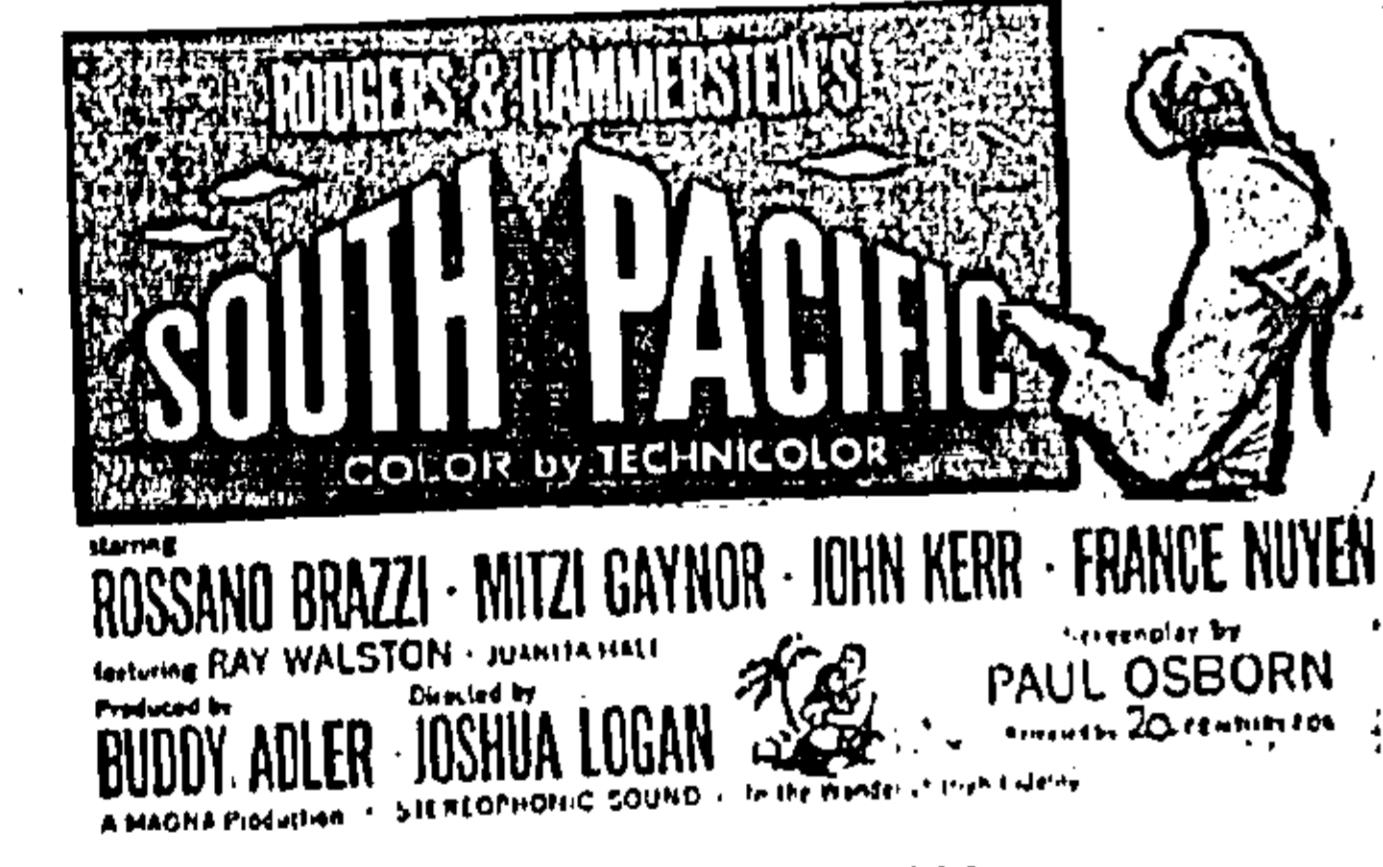
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Buckingham Palace had earlier announced that the Queen and her three-day-old third baby were continuing to make good progress.

Mr. Harold Macmillan, the Prime Minister, told the Commons that there were many who questioned the value of the monarchy in a progressive age at the time the last child was born to a reigning sovereign.

That was in 1857 when a daughter, Princess Beatrice, was born to Queen Victoria.

There were others at the time, he said, who would "certainly not have declared with any assurance that it would survive another 100 years."

Mr. Macmillan went on: "Through this tempestuous and often tragic century, amid the crashing of thrones and republican institutions alike, the British monarchy has stood firm."

"Today the position of the Crown and its hold upon the respect and affection of the people is stronger than it has ever been.

"For that, there are many reasons, but chief among them we may perhaps put the character of Her Majesty and the immediate forebears and the devotion with which they have served their subjects all over the world."

The Prime Minister said that today the Royal Family lived in the glare of publicity and sometimes one felt this put a very heavy strain upon them.

STRONGEST BONDS

But it was a strain which they bore cheerfully because they could not but be aware that it was one of the strongest bonds between the Crown and the people.

Today her subjects saw the Queen on many tours of the island. Many of them saw her in person during her numerous public engagements and vastly more through their television screens.

Mr. Macmillan went on: "We can confidently expect that long before this new Prince reaches manhood, the same advantages will be open to the subjects of the Queen throughout the whole Commonwealth."

"We all know from personal and recent experience the very deep appreciation which is felt in so many parts of the Commonwealth for these Royal visits which make the Crown a living reality as well as a symbol of unity.

"It is fitting that the House of Commons should, in accordance with ancient custom, pass this motion this afternoon.

"But behind it is more than custom. It is a motion which comes from the hearts of all of us. We offer our best wishes for a long and happy life for the new prince as well as our congratulations to his Royal parents.

REJOICE

"We equally rejoice that in discharging their heavy duties, Her Majesty and Prince Philip are fortified by the incomparable blessing of a happy and fruitful married life.

"Let this motion tell them that there is something else by which they can feel strengthened."

Queen Elizabeth I was reported to have told her people: "This I count the glory of my crown, that I have reigned with your love." Mr. Macmillan said, smiling. "Those are words which can be echoed with utter truth by the second Queen Elizabeth."

Mr. Gaitkhan, said:

"The universal enthusiasm, excitement and rejoicing on the birth of a second son to the Queen is one more proof of the profound affection and loyalty felt for Her Majesty, her husband and all the Royal Family."

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"Although, alas, the occasion is clouded by the sudden death of Lady Mountbatten, Her Majesty can be sure that the great personal and domestic happiness which the birth of a child brings her is fully reflected in the hearts of her people."

Mr. Jo Grimond, the Liberal leader, echoed the sentiments of the Prime Minister—and Mr. Gaitkhan.

A shout of "aye" resounded through the chamber when the motion was put to the House.—Reuter and China Mail Special.

NZ Consul

Wellington, Feb. 23. Mr. A. L. G. Challis has been appointed New Zealand Consul-General in San Francisco, the Prime Minister, Mr. Walter Nash announced today.

Mr. Challis is at present acting High Commissioner in India. Before this he was Charge d'Affaires in Tokyo and Bangkok.—Reuter.

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Do we really want to give this man the bomb?

By PAUL JOHNSON

PRESIDENT EISENHOWER'S request to Congress to allow him to give or sell nuclear weapons to America's allies is a momentous decision. If Congress grants it—and the indications are that it will—the pattern of world nuclear power will be radically changed.

What are his motives? They are two-fold. First, he wants to increase the spread and invulnerability of the Allied Great Deterrent.

Vulnerable

At present, the 100 odd bases of the Strategic Air Command, and the dozen ICBM bases now in process of construction, are highly vulnerable to Soviet ICBMs already in position.

The latest Soviet Pacific tests, which have reduced the margin of error over maximum range to a mere mile and a half, have put the wind up the Americans.

If, it is calculated, the Russians can reduce this margin to half a mile they will then be in a position to destroy the U.S. deterrent in the ground within 30 minutes of a surprise attack.

This month America is carrying out the first full-scale tests of the new Nike-Zeus anti-missile system which, it is hoped, will provide a reasonably effective defence against the Soviet ICBMs.

But, even if the tests succeed, it cannot be fully operational for at least two years.

In the meantime, what is America to do? The only alternative is to increase the dispersal of the Allied military forces and the state of alertness.

But this costs money. To build extra dispersal bases for SAC's giant bombers would mean a capital investment which the U.S. Administration refuses even to consider.

And to conduct a full-time alert for even 25 per cent of SAC means an additional cost of 900 million dollars a year.

A much cheaper way to obtain the same result, however, is to hand over megaton weapons to America's allies.

Take the case of Britain. We have 200-ton heavy bombers capable of dropping bombs of the 20-megaton type of Russia. We also have a stockpile of many hundreds of A-bombs.

But we have, at present, only enough megaton weapons to

equip 10 per cent of our bombers.

Moreover, an effective dispersal system means that dozens of bombs must be kept at alternative airfields, so that bombers, which are obliged to "scatter" unloaded when an alert is signalled, can pick up their bombs from one of a number of bases before speeding to their targets.

Only way

In short, you need up to four times as many H-bombs as the number you can actually deliver. Britain has not got these, nor is she likely to possess them for many years.

The only way in which Bomber Command can be brought up to the "delivery" capacity of SAC is through the outright transfer by America of many hundreds of bombs.

Reason number two is more subtle. President Eisenhower now accepts that General de Gaulle will never agree to the stationing of U.S. nuclear-armed forces on French soil unless France has effective control over their use.

In practice, however, he knows that de Gaulle will seek reason provided the U.S.A. rescues him from the farcical comedy of his own nuclear weapons programme.

As things are going, France is unlikely ever to possess the capacity to deliver nuclear bombs on Soviet territory.

But the situation would be radically altered if, here and there, the U.S. were to hand over to France a nuclear stockpile. This is the bait that Eisenhower wants to be able to offer, to draw France into effective membership of the Alliance.

Unfortunately, there is an incalculable risk in the new Eisenhower policy. If the President is empowered to give nuclear weapons to Britain and France, he

can also give them to West Germany.

Arrangements have already been made for the equipping of the new Wehrmacht with Matador and Mace missiles—which can strike 600 miles and over into the Soviet bloc.

Under present arrangements, their nuclear warheads will be kept under U.S. lock and key. But if Congress grants the President's new request there will be nothing to prevent him from giving the Germans outright control—and thus the physical capacity to start a third world war in the pursuit of their lost territories.

Of course it will be claimed on all sides that America has no intention of giving the weapons, nor Germany of asking for them. But the history of the last few years should warn us to place no reliance on such professions.

Almost the first act of the West German Government, when it recovered its sovereignty, was to repeal the Allied decree which forbade the employment of ex-Nazis in the public service.

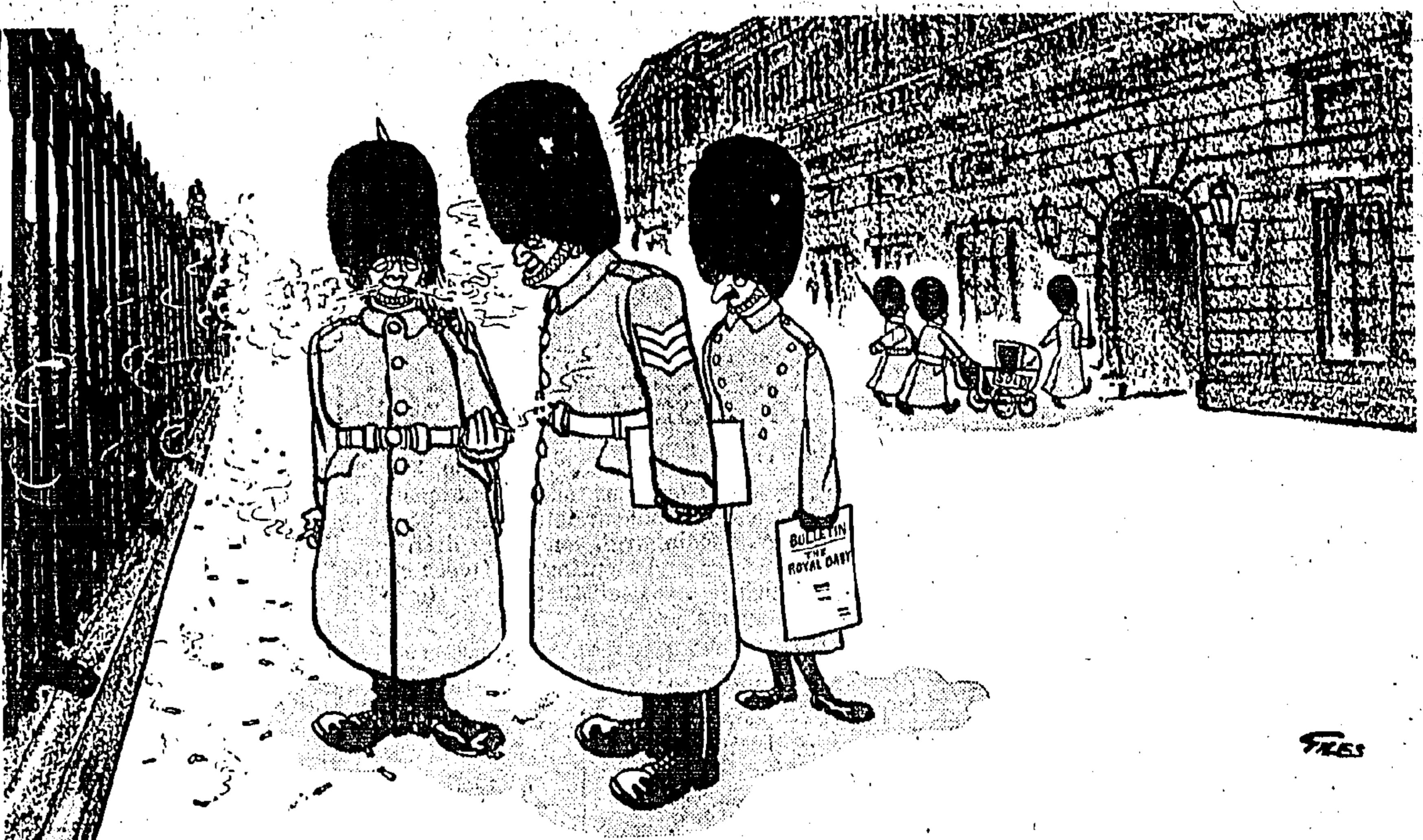
Alfred orders for the break-up of the Krupp industrial empire have proved worthless scraps of paper.

Blackmail?

Now the Germans are pressing for the removal of limitations to the size and nature of their armed forces—including the still ban on large submarines. And the systematic break of all these solemn undertakings has been watched with complicity, if not outright approval, by America.

It therefore, the President's request goes through, who can deny that the politicians in Bonn may soon be in possession of an instrument of blackmail such as Hitler would never have dreamed of?

—(London Express Service).



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THE '2000 mph' FLIER

Test pilot Auty goes into training

By JAMES STUART

GODFREY AUTY, 38-year-old Bristol test pilot, is going into "training" with the aim of becoming Britain's fastest test flier later this year.

Auty, a former RAF pilot, has been chosen to fly the all-steel Bristol 188 research aircraft which is to be used for solving heat problems before a supersonic airliner is built.

The Bristol 188, now nearing completion, has been designed for speeds of between 1,500 m.p.h. and 2,000 m.p.h. In this speed range the usual alloys cannot be used because of the heat created by the friction. Hence the 188 is made of steel.

Mr Auty, married, with a 14-month-old daughter, is Bristol's deputy chief test pilot.

Shallow dive

The fastest aircraft he has yet flown are the Folland Gnat, the American Sabre fighter, and the Italian Fiat G.91. Which means that he has gone through the sound barrier only in a shallow dive, and has not reached anything like the speed the steel research aircraft will do.

To get the most practical experience possible, Auty is going to fly an English Electric Lightning fighter (which has been flown at around 1,300 m.p.h.) and the Fairey FD.2 Delta research aircraft—the type with which Britain last held the air speed record at 1,132 m.p.h.

Afterwards he is expected to go to the United States to fly some of the latest American jet fighters.

Meanwhile Mr Auty has been "getting the feel" of the 188 from the full-scale mock-up of the airplane at the Filton, Bristol, factory.



Mr Godfrey Auty, the man who will pilot the aircraft on its first flight, climbs into the cockpit of the full-scale mock-up at Filton.

Are there Dead Sea scrolls still hidden?

From ROBIN STAFFORD

Tel Aviv.

DR JOHANAN AHARONI, the 40-year-old Israeli archaeologist who recently found more fragments of the priceless Dead Sea scrolls, said that he believes there are "hundreds" of other fragments to be found.

He returned to Jerusalem from the limestone hills near Masada overlooking the Dead Sea, with rusty 4,000-year-old arrowheads and 2,000-year-old scroll fragments which looked like bundles of garbage.

They were the first scrolls found on the Israel side of the Dead Sea.

Dr Aharoni also brought from the cave—600ft. up the cliff-face—a folded papyrus letter or document almost completely preserved.

7 ALREADY

"It may take one experts a fortnight to unfold it without damage," he said.

The scrolls were preserved because of the fantastic dry desert heat around the Dead Sea.

Israel has seven scrolls at Jerusalem's Hebrew University. Dr Aharoni's latest find—the Book of Exodus, Chapter 13, verses one to 16—are part of the eighth.

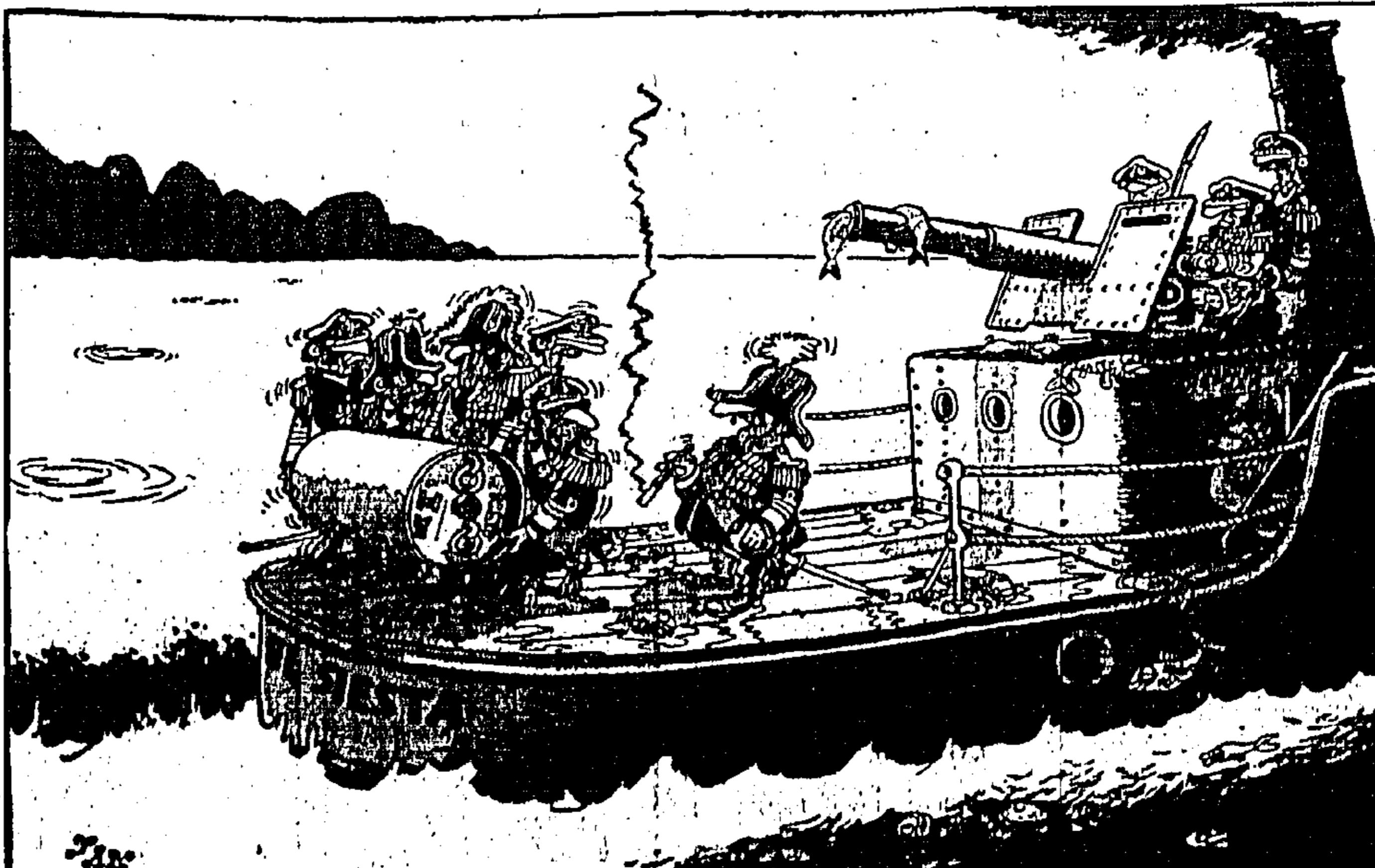
Dr Aharoni's greatest fear is that roaming Bedouin tribesmen in the southern desert zones of Israel may be badly damaging scrolls in amateurish hands.

He believes that the almost inaccessible caves sheltered the Jewish rebels of the Bar Kochba revolt against the Romans in A.D. 136.

He said: "That means many of the other caves must have been inhabited too. There must be hundreds more fragments in this area."

—(London Express Service).

THE LAST CHA-CHARGE—BY JAK



"The last one, gentlemen. Eat it does not come up this time WE shall have to surrender."

TALKING POINTS

The one permanent emotion of the inferior man is fear.

—H. L. MENCKEN.

No woman's heart belongs to her. If it belongs to her, it isn't a heart.

—E. F. BENSON.

A reporter is always concerned with tomorrow.

—EDWARD MURROW.

People listen to a large extent because of vacuity of mind.

—FELIX FRANKFURTER.

Private Line

THE COLUMN OF DISCLOSURE
by Chapman Pincher

A THOROUGH investigation to find out why medicines made of coloured water and pills made of milk-sugar so often make patients feel better is being carried out by London doctors.

The results will be of special interest to the Health Ministry because the cost of these "placebos" as the phonies are often called, now runs into millions of pounds a year.

Placebos have proved highly effective in suppressing coughs, preventing asthma attacks, relieving mental tension, treating colds and even reducing the pain of operations.

In several trials of promising new drugs, an inert pill given to some patients to provide a standard of comparison has produced consistently better results than the drugs. Injections of distilled water have likewise given more positive results than injections of powerful gland extracts.

Some patients who did not know they were getting an inert placebo reported unpleasant after-effects. Others even complained of withdrawal symptoms when it was stopped, craving the doctor to begin the treatment again.

That stockpile

In the coming debates to justify the Government's £1,650 million Defence Estimates, great political play will be made of the statement that Britain's independent stock of H-bombs is mounting steadily.

But just how big and just how independent is this stockpile round which the nation's strategy revolves?

From figures available to Private Line I estimate that the R.A.F. has only about 25 H-bombs under its control, though the requirement to fulfil its task is at least 100.

These, though these are free from U.S. political strings, they are far from being British made. Most of them have been constructed from materials and

parts imported from the U.S. under new lease-lend arrangements. They are largely based on American designs and are built up to 25 which would have been impossible if the Americans had not allowed the Government to incur a substantial debt of atomic explosive.

The U.S. is supplying most of the uranium 235 needed to make the "triggers" for the bombs and the tritium (super-heavy hydrogen) for the main charges.

Britain will eventually repay

Grocer's no-profit shop is winner

Paris.

A GROCER in the Normandy town of Caen has struck a new blow in the price-cutting war sweeping across France.

He is selling his goods at cost price and adding a small service charge.

The grocer, Robert Canut,

already had a big grocery shop

in the town centre when he decided to open his new "give-away" shop on the outskirts.

He wanted to beat the cut-price king, led by Edouard Leclerc, at their own game.

Leclerc and his imitators have opened shops all over France and stocked them with goods bought directly from the manufacturers.

They have been able to undercut by 25 per cent the thousands of street corner grocers who buy from markets or from wholesalers.

In contrast to his first shop, which cost £12,000, Monsieur Canut's new shop is small,

sparsely furnished, and cost only £120 to fit up.

But now, a few months after opening, customers are flocking in.

M. Canut adds a 1s. 6d. service charge for up to 15 items bought by a housewife, and 3s. for more than 15 items. He runs the shop with his wife and, by providing no special services, they keep their expenses down to about 30s. a day.

Many customers come from a distance by car.

"My customers are very happy about it all," he says.

"They are asking me now to open similar shops in other parts of the town."

—(London Express Service).

WOMAN'S ENSE



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): With determination you will succeed in completing a job which you did not relish taking on in the first place.**PISCES** (February 20-March 20): Take the advice of a close friend in a matter of importance to you and your family. His counsel has always been sound.**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Follow up a letter which you wrote some time ago and to which you should have had reply by now.**TAURUS** (April 20-May 18): Additional responsibility at home may mean more work for you, but will relieve an older member of the family of undue strain.**GEMINI** (May 19-June 21): Don't let a sudden accumulation of extra work make you lose sight of the necessity of getting on with your regular tasks.**CANCER** (June 22-July 21): With a little initiative you will be able to further a secret ambition.**LEO** (July 22-August 21): If somebody is trying to talk you out of a romantic attachment, think independently before doing something you may later regret.**VIRGO** (August 22-September 21): Don't force the issue in connection with a

plan which you have submitted. Not everybody is as quick to respond as you are.

LIBRA (September 22-October 20): It would be a mistake to jump to too hasty conclusions on being told of a friend's unorthodox action.**SCORPIO** (October 23-November 21): Follow your impulse to submit a sudden idea to the proper quarters. It should prove successful after some modification.**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22-December 21): Before getting into a serious argument with a friend, try your best to see the other person's point of view.**CAPRICORN** (December 22-January 19): Don't become a slave to your household duties, but use every available moment to relax and pursue your hobbies.**YOUR LUCKY COLOUR:**
If today is your birthday, look out for BEIGE. It ought to bring you luck.

NOVEL NOTIONS

by JEANNE LESEM

New York. New York prediction for the 1960 social season: More parties, but less work for hostesses. New snarks emphasizing convenience of preparation and serving.

One snack manufacturer apparently influenced by Chinese fortune telling, biscuit manufacturer, showed thumb-size snacks in the shape of fortune in three flavours—onion, garlic and savory. Cocktail bows, also garlic-flavoured, resemble miniature bow-ties.

Two marmalades make news. The American product is flavoured with an orange liqueur (Cointreau), and the other, made from an Old Seas recipe, is matured for five years in whisky casks before being bottled.

Got a few minutes to spend making canapés? Squeeze col and salmon pates, salmon with mayonnaise, and hot horseradish, all Danish, from tube containers directly onto bread or biscuits.

Jar-packed pates include crab-lobster, cocktail savory (an anchovy-mushroom blend), smoked rainbow trout, game, Scotch grouse and Pacific prawn.

New soups come in bars as well as familiar tins and foil packages. Bar-shaped soup concentrates are available in small flans—chicken, vegetable, tomato, mushroom, celery and ox-tail. Each bar is scored into double serving portions.

The Oriental influence appears in Hawaiian coffee, beans but light Chinese hot-salted oil, red-peppered peanut oil; Filipino picante sauce, an amber-coloured anchovy-flavoured liquid; Chinese black bean sauce; and seasoned seaweed. The latter looks like two-inch squares of dried paper and has a salty, fishy flavour. Crumbled, it is used as a garnish on Oriental food.

Guava sauce and sweet and sour guava relish are new products designed for barbecue use.

The container's the thing with garlic oil, and liquid barbecue essences, both to roll on bottles, and horseradish and garlic-flavoured whisks in aerosol cans. The aerosol products are spicy oil and vinegar mixtures with a creamy consistency.

But the ultimate in packaging was reached by a Chicago manufacturer (Reese). For about US\$300, he will deliver in any of the 50 states a live donkey loaded with wicker hampers of fancy foods.

Today's question: Your partner bids three spades. What do you do now?

Answer tomorrow.

MAINLY FOR MEN

by IAIN CRAWFORD

THE waistcoat is a peculiarly English garment. Other nations have copied it and done all manner of odd things with it—Americans have largely abandoned it, Italians have changed its shape, and the Scots have made it in tartan—but the Englishman in his three-piece suit is the true apostle of the waistcoat.

The vogue for two-piece suits nearly extinguished this curiously shaped accoutrement, except among traditionalists, but it made bold come-back in gay colours and robust checks as an addition to leisure wear. Today it is as popular as ever.

Elaborate

Some elaborately embroidered 19th-century antiques are occasionally seen on extrovert-about-town but if you don't have a "genuine" worn-by-Henry-Ivory vest you can buy a modern brocade waistcoat from a shop off Belgrave Square for about £6. (approximately HK\$100).

For out-of-work hours a knitted waistcoat like Byford's Selsley, in charcoal green with tonal suet buttons and piping on the pockets, adds elegance to a sports jacket and flannels for 99s. 6d. (approximately HK\$80).

At Blurtons in the Strand there is a fine selection of waistcoats in Tattersall and small checks and plain colours.

As an extra you can have a set of six buttons with your initials on them added for 45s. (approximately HK\$36).

The waistcoat has a distinctive part to play in the 1960 spring and summer look as visualized by those enterprising brothers, Lungeley and Leslie Powe.

The mark of an Englishman

—AND IT'S MORE DISTINCTIVE THAN EVER IN 1960



Picture by John Cole.

Three waistcoat styles for 1960. This is Swiss-cream jersey wool with dark brown piping and gilt buttons. On the hanger is the traditional English country-style—brown overcheck on off-white in West of England cotton. The girl has unspotted a newly designed shawl-collar waistcoat in small houndstooth check for wear with town collars.

wine, medium dry and smooth Vesuvius—the wine Horace and fruity without being cloying and the wine Vesuvius.

Most people have heard of Chianti but that is about all. Wine merchant Ercole Giordano says he thinks this is partly due to the fact that although there are plenty of books about French, German and Spanish wines there is virtually no literature about vines.

This is a sad reflection on literature imbibers. The 19 different regions of Italy make over 200 varieties of wine and although there is nothing to match the great clarets, burgundies and hocks some of it is very good indeed.

The wines from Verona and Lake Garda are light and fresh tasting.

Italian wine-makers do not bother much about vintages or making wines for connoisseurs but among the 1,000 million gallons produced annually there are some very drinkable wines which give good value for money.

It is worth experimenting with those in your local wine shop. In addition to those already mentioned, names worth remembering are Frascati and Est! Est! Est! from Montefiascone and Falerno from the slopes of

(London Express Service).

GADGET OF THE WEEK. Push-button can-opener is here. With the Can-O-Matic all you do is put the can in position and press the lever. The electric cutter opens the can and a magnetic lid-lifter removes the lid. If you are bursting with energy you can then eat what is inside. This lazy cook's dream can be bought in London for £12 10s. (HK\$200).

—(London Express Service).

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Hanid And The Pixies

—O'Scowl And McSnooze Drop In On Her—

By MAX TRELL

HANID, the Shadow Girl with the Turned-Around Name, heard the tapping on the window: There was too much snow on the glass for her to see who was outside. So she finally lifted the window and looked out. It was a bitterly cold morning.

"Who's there?" Hanid called out, for she still could see no one on account of the falling snow.

"I am," said a voice. "And so am I," said another voice.

"Oh, it's Pixie McSnooze and Pixie O'Scowl!" exclaimed Hanid, recognizing the two voices. "What are you doing out in weather like this?"

"Don't ask stupid questions," Pixie O'Scowl said. "Open the cellar door and let us in. We're cold."

Hanid slammed the window shut and ran down to open the cellar door.

Fools sorry for them

"The poor little dears," she kept saying to herself, "she really shouldn't be out in weather like this!"

Pixie McSnooze and Pixie O'Scowl came stamping into the cellar. Hanid picked them up and shook the snow off their clothes. Both of them looked half-frozen.

Pixie O'Scowl had a long-handled shovel, about as big as a pencil, and Pixie McSnooze had a big bag made of what seemed to be somebody's old sock.

"Stop shaking me so hard, Stupid!" O'Scowl was saying rudely. "Stop it! Put me down. I say!"

Covered with snow

"But O'Scowl, dear," said Hanid, "you're simply covered with snow. You'll turn into a snowball if I don't clean you off."

At last, after O'Scowl and McSnooze were warming up near the furnace, Hanid asked them if they wouldn't like a cup of something warm.

"Certainly," said Pixie O'Scowl. "That's why we came here. I'll take a cup of hot tea. So will McSnooze."

"Hot milk for me, please," said Pixie McSnooze.

"No! You take hot tea!" O'Scowl said. "Hot milk always



Hanid opened the door to let the pixies in.

But Pixie McSnooze had finished his milk with the spot of tea in it and had fallen fast asleep.

Hanid turned back to Pixie O'Scowl.

"You'd better tell me!" she said sternly.

"All right, all right. We're delivering food to all the folks that are snowed in and can't come out and get it for themselves."

Many more

"There's the Moles and the Chipmunks and the Squirrels and the Ants and the Toads and the Frogs. Come on, McSnooze. We've still got all the Bugs and Beetles to feed before it gets dark. COME ON!"

O'Scowl got McSnooze to his feet.

"Let's go . . . o-ohhh," yawned Pixie McSnooze.

"I told you not to get him hot milk," grumbled Pixie O'Scowl. "You are stupid. But thanks anyway."

And out they both went to finish their job.

A truly memorable St George's Ball



ONE of the many joys of living in this jewel of the Orient, are the never ending pleasures one can look forward to at the start of each week. This past one has been the mounting excitement over that eagerly awaited news from Buckingham Palace—every radio in the Colony ran hot for days.

Back to last Monday, when Mr and Mrs George Patterson (Senior Australian Trade Commissioner) gave a luncheon party to say yet another farewell to Mr and Mrs George Howling from some twenty of their friends who all wished them every success and happiness for their future "down under."

The Eye travelled from the Peak to Mr and Mrs F. G. Niel, and Mrs Vicky Wiers.

The ballroom was very attractively decorated with masses of red and white roses plus the county coats-of-arms.

Many lovely frocks were seen.

Mrs Alan Eberle was charming all in white, also Mrs Forsyth Smith in emerald green.

Mrs Michael Turner, recently back from England, looked lovely in cream satin, as did Mrs William Stoker, in black.

Mr and Mrs Peter Ely, who were also the guests of the John Mardens, were enjoying the pageant.

We gave full marks to the younger generation who kept up their superb dancing the entire evening and who were most decorative.

Anne Dixon-Leach looked lovely in apple green taffeta.

The young men in her party who were mostly in their mess uniforms (is it pink or red jackets they wear?) were a perfect foil for the girls' lovely pastel frocks.

Despite the lack of water and the time of year the garden was a riot of colour and most beautiful.

Everyone present was most envious, particularly of the roses. We are now buying fresh tools, new sprays and, of course, all the latest plants, convinced that in 1961 we will collect the award. You have to be in it, to win it, chums.

After resting up both our feet and our eyes, our next keyhole was the Peninsula Hotel, on Friday night, the occasion being the St George's Ball,

Fatigue and tired feet were soon forgotten. Her Majesty and her baby son were toasted. And before we knew where we were, another set of the Lancets was under way. The feet fairly flew to Three Blind Mice. Talk about "run," we literally galloped.

Altogether it was a truly memorable St George's Ball, one that will long remain in the memories of those present.

Our sincere thanks to the President, his wife and members of the committee, for all their work in making it such a success—even if your scribbles did feel as though the dragon had breathed rather too heavily on us, on awakening the following morning.

Until next week, gear up readers, au revoir.

Rupert and the Windies—10



Sitting down in their bewilderment, Rupert and Pong-Ping listened to the flying strangers who are now almost in a frenzy. "I tell you the thing whizzed straight up and nearly hit us. Then it came again and . . ." "Here, here!" Rupert interrupted. "You'll go nowhere, me!"

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Wednesday evening, Mr and Mrs George Goldsack were hosts to one of the longest cocktail parties ever held in the Hongkong Club. Seventeen different nationalities were represented in the huge assembly. Mrs Goldsack was charming in blue lace. Also noticed Mr and Mrs Ian Bruce, the latter so smart in a black suit and madly attractive white feathered chapeau. Mrs J. R. Millar was also wearing an enviable Paris number in black, turquoise-blue infanta.

Amongst their guests were Commodore and Mrs Butler, Lt. Commodo and Mrs Benkin, Lt. Colonel and Mrs Terence Macleod, Mr and Mrs Hugh Barton, with their daughter Susanna, Mrs and Mrs

Amorosa

Another day's sensational cricket in third Test

LOCKE'S MAGIC PUTTER MISSING

Cape Town, Feb. 22. South African golfer Bobby Locke's magic putter which helped him win the British Open four times and become champion of 13 countries was missing today after the car accident in which he was badly injured.

The putter was missed in the wreckage after Locke's car hit an electric train in a Cape Town suburb over the weekend.

Locke who was in hospital with a skull fracture was not told by friends when the loss was established because he has had the putter since boyhood.

The rusty-bladed putter which has an old hickory shaft and

shiny worn leather grip is more than a memento to him. It has a fatalistic belief in its prowess.

Hospital authorities expect him to recover completely but his plans to leave for the British Open in April may be upset because of the mishap in which his car was wrecked.

—APF.

Gold medals for Germany, France and Soviet Union at Winter Games

Squaw Valley, Feb. 22. A skiing postman, a hotelier and a woman physical education teacher won gold medals in the Winter Olympic Games today for Germany, France and the Soviet Union.

Georg Thoma, 22-year-old postman who delivers mail on skis in the Black Forest, gained Germany's third gold medal of the Games by taking first place in the Nordic Combined event. Jean Vuarnet, 27-year-old hotelier from Haute Savoie, won the Men's Downhill race to become France's first gold medalist.

Defined predictions

The Soviet Union, like Germany, took their gold medal tally to three when 22-year-old Alkara Guseva swept to victory in the Women's 1,000 Metres Speed Skating event.

Thoma defied the experts' predictions to hold off favoured Norwegian and Soviet skiers and win the Combined event. He led after yesterday's 50-metre jump, first part of the combination, but today, with the disadvantage of an injured shoulder, he faced rivals much better fancied than he in the cross-country part of the event, over 15 kilometres of tough going at McKinley Creek.

Thoma finished fourth today in 59 mins 23.6 secs (subject to official confirmation)—a performance which was good enough to keep him out in front in the Combined event, the big test of skiing versatility.

Tense moment

Vuarnet, an all-round sportsman who also swims and plays lawn tennis, soccer, handball and basketball, swept down the 3,005-metre course on Squaw Peak in 2 min. 6.6 secs to win the Downhill in a huge field of 66 skiers from 22 nations.

He was half a second ahead of his nearest rival Hanspeter Lang of Germany (West).

Miss Guseva, racing in the first heat of the Women's 1,000 Metres Speed Skating Championships, put up the fine time of 31.1 secs—then had to wait anxiously while the rest of the field attempted to knock it down.

She had a tense moment at the end when Poland's Elwira Seroczyńska, competing in the final heat, appeared to have a good chance of doing a better time, but crashed heavily only 40 metres from the finish.

Miss Seroczyńska, unharmed after the fall, was reported unofficially to have been level with Miss Guseva's time on rounding the final bend, just after which she fell.

Near-perfect

Carol Heiss, 20-year-old United States University student and World champion, held a lead of nearly 50 points over her nearest rival here today by Mr Donald Ferguson, President of the Australian Lawn Tennis Association, who circled the cards from the Hugo Davis Cup trophy.

She traced a near-perfect "backwards outside bracket" this morning in the final of the five figures and was given first place by all nine judges, who gave her 2120 marks for it. This gave her an aggregate of 837.8 marks, against 792.0 for her closest opponent, European champion Sjoukje Dijkstra, of Holland.—Reuter.

Medal standings

Squaw Valley, Feb. 22. The Soviet Union was today still leading in the medal standings after eleven days had been disputed in the Eighth Olympic Winter Games here. Standings are:

	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Soviet Union	3	2	5
Germany	3	3	0
Sweden	2	1	0
France	1	0	1
Canada	1	0	0
Switzerland	1	0	0
United States	0	1	2
Austria	0	1	1
Poland	0	1	0
Finland	0	1	0
Norway	0	1	0

N. AMERICAN ZONE DAVIS CUP DRAW

Melbourne, Feb. 22. The draw for the North American Zone and the International Zone of the 1960 Davis Cup competition was made here today by Mr Donald Ferguson, President of the Australian Lawn Tennis Association, who drew the cards from the Hugo Davis Cup trophy.

Results of the draw are:

FIRST ROUND

United States v. Canada.

New Zealand v. West Indies.

Mexico, bye.

(Mexico and Venezuela will meet in second round).

The winner of the American Zone will play the Eastern Zone survivor in the International Zone semi-final.

The winner of this semi-final will meet the European Zone winners for the right to challenge Australia for the trophy.—Reuter.

ENGLAND SLUMP TO 280 FOR NINE WICKETS AFTER 177-RUN FIRST-WICKET STAND

Kingston, Feb. 22. Another sensational day's cricket resulted in England slumping to 280 for nine wickets, after Colin Cowdrey and Geoff Pullar had led off with a first-wicket stand of 177, on the fifth day of the third Test here today. England enter the last day of the match tomorrow with a lead of 204 runs with one wicket standing. But the deterioration of the pitch as the day wore on means that West Indies will have to fight hard, and a thrilling finish that could go either way is in store.

Cowdrey, who scored a magnificent 97, thereby missing his second century in the game by three runs, and Pullar (98) gave England their best start in a Test match for ten years. Both fell within three balls of each other half an hour after lunch and the later batsmen were always struggling against the West Indies attack, which took full advantage of the tricky pitch.

With the spinners getting plenty of turn, and the pacemen making the ball rear at times and on other occasions "shoot," only Peter May with 45, his best score of the series, showed any form. England slipped from 228 for four to 280 for nine in the 90 minutes after tea.

Pace bowler Chester Watson was West Indies' most successful bowler taking four for 55. West Indies' fast bowler, was not anything like so dangerous as he was in the first innings when he took seven for 60. He finished with only one for 78.

The day's play Geoff Pullar and Colin Cowdrey, the England openers, quickly scored the 11 runs needed to clear their side's first innings deficit of 76 when the fifth-wicket of the match began here today.

Two successive leg-side boundaries by Cowdrey off Wesley Hall, the West Indies' fast bowler, took England into the lead, and 26 runs came in the first half-hour, Cowdrey claiming 23 of them.

At 71 the partnership had become the best between openers for either side in the series, beating the unfinished stand between the same pair in the second innings of the first Test.

Cowdrey did not wear the padded vest under his shirt that he sported on Saturday as protection against short-pitched deliveries.

He presumed no doubt that the ball would knock low but probably regretted his decision when he was struck in the back by a bumper from Chester Watson.

Cowdrey out Pullar had made 66 fours and the West Indies had waited three hours 54 minutes for their first wicket, but three balls later Cowdrey was out.

Trying to cut Scarlett, Cowdrey was caught at the wicket as he played back.

Cowdrey, who had scored 22 runs in the last two overs before lunch, had added only four in the first half-hour. He therefore missed the distinction of scoring two centuries in the same Test by only three runs.

Cowdrey's failure to achieve this was not all the more unfortunate because on Saturday before the umpire signalled four leg-byes when Cowdrey indicated that the ball had come off his gloves.

Only five Englishmen have reached a century in each innings of a Test match, with Denis Compton in 1946-7 against Australia, providing the only instance since the war.

Taking spin England were 101 ahead when these two wickets fell at the same total and were in a good position as the pitch was taking a certain amount of spin.

Ken Barrington and Peter May took their time to play themselves in and scoring slowed down considerably—only 23 coming in the first hour after lunch.

Closing prices were:

7-2 Wolves.

9-2 Sheffield W.

11-2 Burnley.

6-1 Preston N.E.

8-1 Villa and Blackburn.

10-1 Leicester.

16-1 Sheffield U.

Bradford City, who meet Burnley tomorrow night in a fifth-round replay, were not quoted.—Reuter.

Nominate YOUR HONGKONG FOOTBALLER OF THE YEAR

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

(1) Footballing prowess.

(2) Sportsmanship on the field of play.

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail.

My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into account his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play, is:

of the Club.

(Signed)

(NOTE: No person is allowed to vote more than once in this poll)

Archie Moore to defend title against Schoeppner

Miami, Feb. 22. American boxer Archie Moore today accepted an offer to defend his light heavyweight championship against the No. 2 contender, Eric Schoeppner of Germany.

Moore's manager, Jack Kearns, wired Jack Fugazy, General Director of Feature Sports Inc., that he would accept his offer.

Aly Khan wins drawn-out court case

Paris, Feb. 22. A Paris appeal court today ended a long wrangle over the ownership of an 18-year-old racehorse when it ordered the stallion to be handed over to the Aly Khan.

The horse, Prince Blot, never won any big event, because it was injured at the start of its racing career, but it has sired many winners. It has been under court custody in a Normandy stud since June, 1958.

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The Aly Khan told the lower court that a Normandy breeder, M. Colletain Herbline, sold the horse to him for \$6 million (old francs about £35,000). But the court said the sale could not be considered as having taken place because there was no way of obtaining evidence as to what price had been agreed on.

—China Mail Special.

Mackay wins U.S. tennis title

New York, Feb. 22. Barry Mackay won the U.S. National Men's Singles Indoor Tennis Championship today, beating fellow-American Dick Savitt in the final by 6-2, 2-0, 10-12, 6-1, 6-4.—Reuter.

Second round replays

Inverness Caledonian v. East Stirling, Queen's Park v. Montreal, and Caldic v. St Mirren were all postponed.—Reuter.

SCOTTISH CUP

Second round

Peebles 1, Ayr United 0.

(Winners home to Air-

driftians in third round).

Hibernian v. Dundee (post-

poned).

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HOT WATER WITH GAS



Racecourses in New Zealand are almost a punters' paradise

Wellington, Feb. 22.

Racecourses in New Zealand have been rid of undesirable characters to such an extent that they are now claimed to be something of a "paradise" for punters.

The credit for the clean-up which has driven touts and spammers from the racecourses goes to a group of inspectors who have given the betting public a sense of protection reckoned to be without equal in any other country.

That New Zealanders take their racing seriously is evident from the amount of betting handled by the Totalisator Agency Board.

On January 16, the board handled a total of £436,103 on the five race meetings held in the country.

In its last year ending July 31, 1959, the board's turnover was £21,955,392 and this figure is expected to be surpassed this year.

Police-trained

Racecourse inspectors and their deputies are all Police-trained and they work closely with the Police. On racecourses they have as much authority as Policemen.

A memory for faces is one of several requirements for the job. Each year some 300 undesirable persons are warned off racecourses or turned away at the entrance gates. It is the inspector's duty to spot them.

Under similar circumstances comes under the provisions of the Gaming Act 1908 whereby racing clubs must keep their courses clear of persons convicted of certain offences.

Bookmakers, agents' tipsters and prostitutes are some of those prohibited from courses under the Act.

Before 1921 each racing club was responsible for policing its own course.

Racecourses at that time were a favourite resort of tipsters.

KNOCKOUT WIN

Sydney, Feb. 22. British Empire welterweight champion George Barnes, 147½ pounds, knocked out South African welterweight Dick Williams, 148½, in the 11th round of a 12-round bout at Sydney Stadium tonight.—AP.

guessers, criminals and others who regarded the race-goers as easy prey.

Because of administration difficulties, Police recommendations for more adequate control measures, and fears by the clubs themselves that the honesty of the sport was in jeopardy, the New Zealand Racing Conference took over the responsibility.

At that time the law had to deal with the situation was trespassing which meant that the offender had to be warned twice before he could be removed.

First inspectors

Batches usually appeared in court the day after a race meeting. Penalties were light and the same persons would be back on the course again the next week.

In 1921, Mr R. G. Black, Chief Inspector of the Racing Conference, then a detective serving in Wellington, was one of four members of the Police Force who became the first racecourse inspectors.

The corps still numbers four but at busy racing periods they are assisted by deputies, usually retired members of the Police.

The work of the inspectors does not stop at the racecourses. Those banned from racecourses are also banned from Totalisator Agency Board premises on which frequent checks are made.

Their jobs

The inspectors are also concerned with applications for licences by jockeys, trainers, investment riders and apprentices, investigation of horse ownership, detection of doping, and other matters concerned with racing administration.

Regular inspections are also made of all racing establishments to check on the standard

of tuition given to apprentices and probationers, and to ensure that they are reasonably housed, fed and clothed.

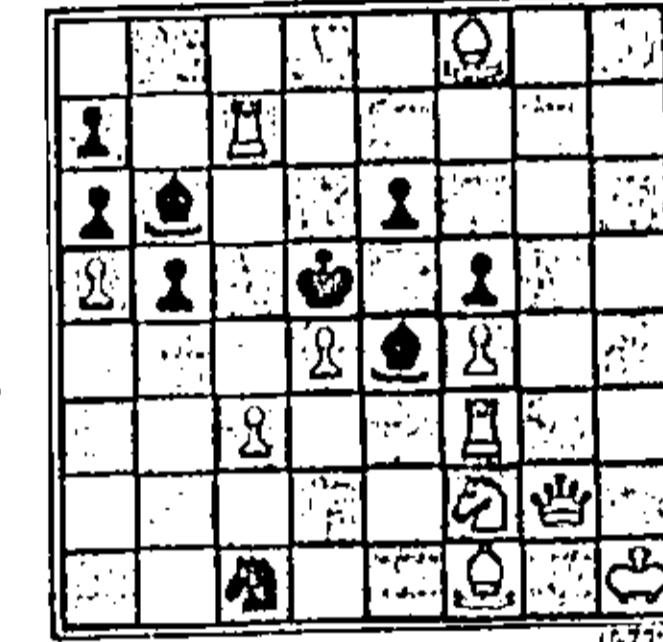
Persons excluded by law from race meetings have the right to appeal to the executive of the New Zealand Racing Conference in the recent Auckland Championships only after 66 sets.

The visitors will play a three set (not best of three sets) singles match against each other after which they will combine with Ip Koon-hung and Tsui Wai-pui in a doubles match.

"While the racing public may not be aware of it," says Mr Birch, "the enforcement of the Gaming Act affords them a protection not enjoyed elsewhere in the world."—Chin Mail Special.

CHess

by LEONARD BARDEN



Here is a problem specially contributed by H. W. Atkinson (Manchester). White to play and mate in two moves.

London Express Service.

BAM to seek abolition of woodshot rule

Kuala Lumpur, Feb. 22. The Badminton Association of Malaya today announced that it would ask the International Badminton Federation to abolish the woodshot rule. Mr Hech Joo-seng, President of the BAM said: "In a crowded hall especially where the crowd is vociferous, it is difficult to hear some woodshots. Also over-enthusiastic umpires often pull up players unnecessarily and in some cases very unfairly."

He said: "The Badminton Association of Malaya will press on its fight for the abolition of the woodshot rule."—Reuters.

LINCOLN AND NATIONAL CALLOVER

London, Feb. 22. Prices at the first callover at the Victoria Club here last night on the Lincolnshire Handicap (one mile) at Lincoln on March 23 and the Grand National steeplechase (four miles 856 yards) at Aintree on March 26 were:

Lincolnshire
10-1 Lindrick, 11-1 François and Zanzibar.
10-1 Mustavon, 11-1 Courts Appeal.
20-1 Fuel, Major General, Marchion, 21-1 Firecracker and Chalk Stream.

22-1 Shameful Harvest.

25-1 Admirals Lodge, El Toro, Lucky Guy, Small Slim, Sovereign, Path, Title Deed, El Gauchito, Falls of Shin and Guerist.

28-1 Middle Watch, Pacifico and Silver King.

Grand National
16-1 Keirsun, Knightsbrook and Golden Knight.
18-1 Clover Bud.
20-1 Banloch, Merrymen, Polar Flight, Lady Menagh, Tex Flend and Heatwave.
22-1 Polished Steel and Stringapam.
25-1 Yonibank and Dho Soon.
28-1 Cinnabon.
33-1 Mr What—Reuter.

Major snags

Perhaps it was thought that these were no longer necessary with Under-23 games being held. But I believe it is only by having these "B" internationals that we can get the best out of the Under-23 games.

The idea of these "B" games is to give young players the benefit of playing alongside men well-steeped in soccer knowledge. This is the finest way to broaden your soccer lore.

I speak from personal experience. Serving my soccer apprenticeship in the Army, I had the opportunity of playing with some great players as Stan Galli and Ray West. It played a tremendous part in developing my football. In fact, it was experience I could never have gained at home.

Of course, these were unusual circumstances. But the idea of helping young players further their soccer education by playing alongside men of vast experience can be carried out in these "B" sides.

There is just one major snag. The Football League are not keen to have any more international fixtures in the soccer programme. And, anyway, there is a limit to the number of games that can be fitted into a season.

Cut the Leagues

I know we pride ourselves on the fact that we turn out footballers who can play on all the various types of ground conditions that our British season can produce.

But tolling successfully under the August sun through the winter snow, ice and slush, and then on the bone-hard grassless grounds at the end of the season, is a really strenuous business.

With Cup-ties, internationals, inter-League games and special floodlit matches, men in demand like Johnny Haynes have to get through about sixty games a season.

The answer? Cut the Leagues. I think that 18 clubs is an adequate number, especially for higher divisions. Such a pruning would allow for more room to manoeuvre, both at club and international level.

At present, it is always a question of considering not what the best plan for building an international combination, but which ideas can be sandwiched into the intense league programme.

England's League system has many fine points. It is the backbone of our soccer. It provides the fun with his regular ration of soccer entertainment.

Incidents

But I don't think that the fan would complain if a slight reduction in quantity was compensated by an improvement in quality.

To accommodate clubs moved down from the higher divisions, the Fourth Division could adopt the regional North and South system used by the old Third Division.

The incidents in the recent match between the Belgian and British Army sides in Brussels again raise the question of different interpretations of soccer rules.

With more and more international competition at all levels, and ever-increasing importance being attached to these games, I think it is unfair to send players into them (a) knowing that their opponents will play to a different version of the rules and (b) not knowing how the referee will react to some of their own tactics.

on the ball

with Tom Finney



England should cut down the League and bring back "B" Internationals

On March 2, a group of young English footballers take the field at Ibrox Park, Glasgow, against a group of young Scottish players. The occasion: another Under-23 international—one of the most progressive ideas ever to hit British football.

Most people feel that something should be done but they are uncertain what.

I think I can speak for most British players when I say that we would be prepared to make changes to bring our game into line with, say, the Central American approach.

If Britain were to indicate willingness to such a change, then perhaps the Continental and South American players would be encouraged to give up things like obstruction, another negative spoiling tactic which adds nothing to the game as a spectacle or from a playing point of view.

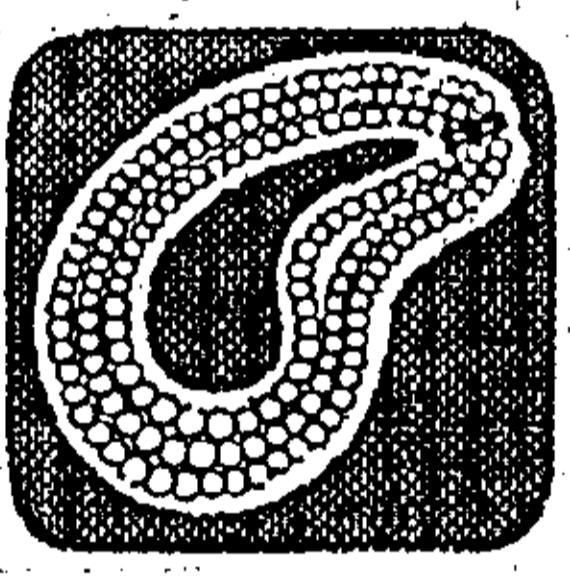
The idea is not so much to force the goalkeeper into an immediate error as to undermine his confidence in the hope that next time his concentration

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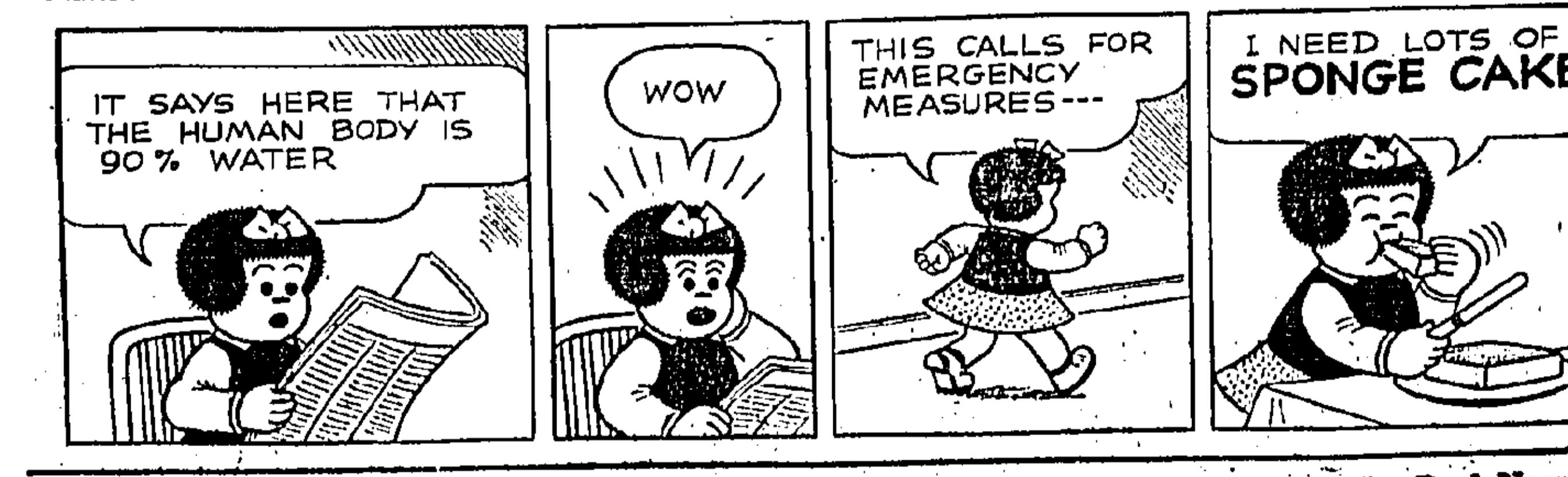
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BODY IN STOVE

Pathologist questioned on stains in blood spattered room

Of the 37 wounds inflicted on a woman at Ping Chau on November 6 last, the senior police forensic pathologist, Dr T. C. Pang said today the fatal blow was one delivered to the back of the head, which severed the main neck vessels.

QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL MURDER TRIAL OPENS

The wife of a caterer working on the Queen Elizabeth Hospital site in King's Park was found with serious head injuries in the sisters' quarters early one morning in November, it was stated at the Criminal Session this morning.

Mr D. N. E. Rea, Crown Counsel, told a jury of five men and two women that although the injured woman was operated on in the Kowloon Hospital, she died later that evening.

Mr Rea was outlining the case for the Prosecution at the trial of a former, Mok Mo, on a charge of murdering Tee Ping on November 24, last year.

Represented by Mr Oswald Cheung, Mok pleaded not guilty.

Jurors object

When the Jury was empanelled, two of the seven jurors who objected to capital punishment were asked to be excused from the trial. At the request of Mr Rea, they were told to stand down.

Mr Rea, in his outline, told the jury that the accused was a foreman on the building site and was in charge of a number of coopers.

The deceased was the wife of the workers' caterer. It was the deceased's practice to go to the building site every morning.

On November 24, the deceased arrived at 7:45 a.m. with her baby daughter on her back and a two-year-old son. She talked to her husband for a while and then left carrying her daughter.

"The next thing after that is that the deceased was found lying unconscious in the bathroom on the fourth floor of the sisters' quarters," Mr Rea said.

Left scene

The accused appeared on the scene and left, Mr Rea said. He did not report to the official supervisor, there but went straight to the deceased's husband.

The baby was still on the woman's back, and both appeared to be unconscious and wounded, Counsel said.

They were taken to the hospital where the deceased died despite an operation.

Police would be given that there were two wounds caused by a very blunt instrument and considerable force would be required to inflict the injury, Crown Counsel said.

A piece of wood about one yard in length was found in the bathroom with the deceased.

When Crown Counsel closed the outline of the Prosecution case, Mr Cheung asked him to outline to the Jury the evidence of four witnesses who were on the scene where the deceased was found.

Mr Rea said he had no objection. The reason he did not outline their evidence in his opening address was that he considered the evidence should be tested in the witness box.

Witnesses

He said one of the witnesses, Lee Kai, the deceased went to the fourth floor and instructed one of the women to collect to go to the second floor while two others were to remain on the floor. She said he looked into the bathroom and saw the deceased lying on the floor. She also noticed the baby there.

The other woman would also testify how her attention was attracted to the deceased lying in the room, Mr Rea said.

Hearing is continuing.

Foulkes rejects election charges

London, Feb. 22.

Mr Frank Foulkes, Communist President of the 230,000-strong Communist-dominated British Electrical Trades Union, tonight rejected charges of ballot-rigging in the recent re-election of Mr Frank Haxell as the Union's General Secretary.

Mr Haxell is a member of the British Communist Party Executive Committee.

A number of branches of the E. T. U. complained earlier this month that their votes were disqualified because according to the E. T. U. — they arrived too late.

Questioned on the British Broadcasting Corporation television programme "Panorama," Mr Foulkes said that any branch of the union which was dissatisfied with the disqualification of its votes could appeal to the Executive Council.

INCOMPETENCE

He said the "tremendous number" disqualified for the date of polling could be put down to negligence on the part of the branch secretaries of Incompetence."

Referring to branch secretaries who maintained they had posted their votes in the presence of witnesses, Mr Foulkes said: "If they produced witnesses or any evidence that they will be heard by the court, the evidence will be considered. But it must be the branch, and not just the secretary, who are convinced that the secretary is correct." —Reuters.

Gambling den raided

Taipei, Feb. 22.

Police, tipped off by a disgruntled wife, raided a gambling den here early this morning.

Six wealthy businessmen and government officials were rounded up and stakes amounting to the equivalent of US\$1,000 seized.

The Police were informed of the underground gambling house by an unidentified woman whose husband had lost about US\$20,000 and their house in poker games in the house. —UPI.

London, Feb. 22.

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Portuguese cameramen leave HK

Two Portuguese cameramen left Hongkong by Swissair this morning with 15,000 feet of film documentaries for the Government of Portugal.

They are Mr Miguel F. Spisuel and Mr Aquilino Mendes who made documentaries on Hongkong, Macao, Timor and Australia.

"We have had a very successful trip and I believe that the film on Hongkong and Macao will be the most interesting," Mr Spisuel said before his departure.

"The panorama is excellent and general film conditions rival some of the best in the world," he added.

Another blow given almost at the same time cut the windpipe, he said.

Dr Pang was being cross-examined by Mr Charles Ching, counsel for the defense of 31-year-old Lam Man-hung, who is accused of murdering his mother-in-law.

Dr Pang said that in removing the body of Wong Tai-mui from the stove where it was found, her clothing had been partly removed.

She had been wedged in a narrow aperture between the two holes used for cooking in a concrete stove.

Blood stains

Dr Pang was questioned as to whether the blood stains and smears on the walls of the house where the body was found could have been made by blood spurting out from her cuts while the woman was still alive. He said that some of the stains indicated that the woman might have come from wounds while the woman lived and other stains were smears made by a hand covered with blood.

Some of the bloodstains could have been caused by the body of the woman which had been carried in from outside, Dr Pang said.

Bloodstains, much diluted with water, had been visible under the bed and there were dark stains on the concrete floor of the shop where the body was found. There were dark splashes on the second and third steps of the staircase.

Dr Pang said he could not say whether the less serious blows on the arms and body had been caused before the fatal blow or afterwards. He could not say whether the attack might have been made on the woman by one or two people. On the other hand, he suggested two choppers could have been used by one person.

Objection

The two choppers given to Dr Pang for examination had not, he said, had any traces of blood on them when he first examined them, but that could have been cleaned off.

Traces of blood on the accused's singlet and pants had been found. These could be consistent, however, with a wound which the accused man had sustained from an alleged attack made on him by someone with a chopper.

Mr Ching objected to evidence being heard from the testimony of certain witnesses regarding the previous relations which had existed between the accused and the deceased woman.

The case is being heard by Mr Justice R. Master. Prosecuting Crown Counsel is Mr Dennis D'Almeida Remendos. Mr Charles Ching, for the defense, is assisted by Mr P. Wong of Lau, Chan and Co.

After their honeymoon, which will be spent in Macao, Barbara will return to San Francisco to regain her job as a stenographer.

However still without a visa, her new husband will have to wait until preparations for his migration are made.

Beautiful 20-year-old Barbara told her friends yesterday: "I don't want to think of the separation, I don't know how I'll face it."

"But it's the only way if we want to live as man and wife in America."

Bernardo, 21, a local bank employee told the China Mail that he hopes that it will only take two or three months at the latest for arrangements to be made.

Chen On denied the charge.

He said he picked up the earings from the gutter.

A snatcher was given three-and-a-half years by Judge T. Creddon at Kowloon District Court this morning.

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Chan On denied the charge.

He said he picked up the earings from the gutter.

London, Feb. 22.

Britain may within a few years have pavements and shops at first floor level in busy centres separating pedestrians from motorists.

Mr Ernest Marples, Transport Minister, suggested this today as a means for easing traffic jams and also for checking slaughter on the roads.

Mr Marples, who was opening a new \$2,500,000 "skyscraper" headquarters of the Central Oil firm (C. C. Wilcock and Company) said he was "simply appalled" at the slaughter on the roads every year.

Mr Marples said Britain today had 8,500,000 vehicles. In 1970 it must expect 15,000,000. —China Mail Special.

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Kwangtung branch of the Chinese People's Relief Association has sent 17½ tons of rice for the relief of fire victims in Hongkong and Kowloon, the New China News Agency reported today.

The Association has asked Hongkong Chinese Chamber of Commerce to distribute the rice, the report added. —Reuters.

London, Feb. 22.

Mr David Ben-Gurion, the Israeli Prime Minister, said in Parliament here today that continuing threats to Israel's security justified the maintenance of military rule in border areas.

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